

# RG104 Entry 235

## Volume 420

### Letters Sent by Headquarters to Mints and other Offices. 1917 San Francisco Mint.

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January 2, 1917.

SUBJECT: Die reports.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
Denver, Colo.

Gentlemen:

Referring to the weekly die report, form 1028-A, until further instructed, please render this report monthly instead of weekly, changing the heading from "Week ending" to "Month ending".

Respectfully,

F.J.H. von Engelken,

Director of the Mint.

By

*[Signature]*  
Acting Director.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

Washington,

NIGHT MESSAGE.

January 2, 1917.

Superintendent, Mint

San Francisco California.

Discontinue coinage dimes Coin halves and quarters  
holding quarters in coiner's hands advising me daily balance  
tonga Quarter dies shipped twenty-ninth. Would like to  
transfer temporarily twenty thousand dollars from your minor  
coinage metal fund to Denver Can you spare it

von Engelken

Director

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT, ASSOCIATION FOR

Contingent expenses Mint Process 1917

The appropriate line item which should be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington,



January 4, 1917.

Superintendent Mint

San Francisco, California

Include oriole petty with halves and quarters Tonga  
Petty metal funds not available for transfer

von Engelken

Director

*JAC*

BUSINESS  
REPLY BY MAIL.

Contingent expenses Mint Bureau 1917

The appropriation from which payment must be made on this line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK: 1000/1000



January 5, 1917.

SUBJECT: Requisition for funds.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds to meet the expenses of that institution during the fiscal year 1917, has been approved in the following sums:

Salaries, -	\$7,500.00
Wages of workmen, -	20,000.00
Contingent expenses, -	<u>2,500.00</u>
Total, -	\$30,000.00

Respectfully,

F. J. H. von Engelken,  
Director of the Mint.

By

*J. H. Hallin*  
Acting Director.



January 5, 1917.

SUBJECT: Accounts.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Bills as below have been forwarded to the Auditor for settlement, chargeable to your contingent appropriations as indicated:

Manning, Maxwell & Moore, Inc.,  
one magneto chuck, \$85.00; chargeable  
to your 1916 contingent appropriation.

Pennsylvania Railroad Company, transportation  
of Mr. Shanahan and Mr. Hawkins, Washington  
to San Francisco, \$151.70; and Pennsylvania  
Railroad Company one mileage book purchased  
November 22, 1916, \$22.50, chargeable to  
your 1917 contingent appropriation.

Bill of Wells Fargo & Company Express, has also been  
forwarded to the Auditor for settlement chargeable to your  
1917 contingent appropriation on account of the transportation  
of coinage dies and collars from Philadelphia October 3, 4,  
10, 13, 21, 24<sup>27</sup> and 31, in the sum of \$22.51.

Respectfully,

F. J. H. von Engelken,  
Director of the Mint.

By

*[Signature]*  
Acting Director.



January 5, 1917.

Disbursement of coin - December, 1916.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
Philadelphia, Penna.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

In order that our records may be complete, I will  
thank you to forward to this office as soon as possible  
a statement of the coin disbursed by your institution  
during the month of December, 1916.

Respectfully,

F. J. H. von Engelken,  
Director of the Mint.

By

Acting Director.



January 8th, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold,  
and would thank you to have duplicate assays  
made on each sample, reporting the results to  
this office and returning the balance of the  
samples for further assaying.

Respectfully

  
Director of the Mint.

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Enclosure.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington,



January 9, 1917.

Superintendent Mint:

San Francisco California

Wire amount you owe for minor coinage metal actually delivered; also amount for metal future delivery. When do you expect delivery of latter

von Engelken

Director

JHC

BUSINESS.  
MINENT RATES.

THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Contingent expenses Mint Bureau 1917

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

BE WRITTEN:

Washington,



January 9, 1917.

Superintendent Mint

San Francisco California.

Have you coined quarters How many Advise daily  
amount you are holding

von Engelken

Director

*Handwritten signature*

AL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. expenses, Mint Bureau, 1917.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212B



Jan. 9, 1917.

Subject - Forms, etc.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

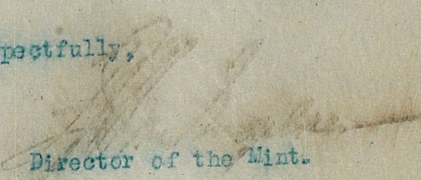
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

With reference to the new form of Cashier's daily statement being received from the San Francisco Mint, it is noted that the total of the coin classified at the foot of the form does not check with the closing balance of coin carried in the body of the form by several thousand dollars.

Please have the items brought into harmony in future.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



, January 10, 1917.

SUBJECT: Record Books & Forms.

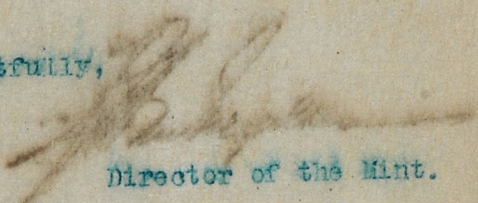
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

Your letter of the 4th instant, requesting to be furnished with two record books for "Locality Reports", is received.

Under the rules of the department, before any action is taken upon your requisition, you are required to furnish a written explanation, in detail, as to the necessity for the proposed record. If it is intended to substitute it for a similar one now in use at your mint, a sample sheet showing the form number should be forwarded in order to avoid duplication.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



Washington,

January 10, 1917.

Night Message.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointment Geissberger approved. Forward  
formal recommendation.

von Engelken  
Director.

Cont. Mex. Mint Bureau 1917.

ALL BUSINESS,  
TELEPHONE RATES.

TELEPHONE RATES, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation in force which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



A horizontal strip of a photograph showing a dense line of trees or foliage against a light background. The image is somewhat blurry and has a vintage, slightly faded appearance.

San Francisco, California.

CONFIDENTIAL

For money borrowed for the purchase of novel  
 payments please state the necessity  
 of the loan, the amount you have on hand, and the  
 date of the loan. Say for the detail requested.  
 Sincerely,



January 10, 1949.

Wash., D.C.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,  
Washington, D.C.

Mr. Clegg,  
San Francisco, California.

Mr. Glavin,  
Detroit, Michigan.

Please do not accept orders for our release any  
longer you require. We have received  
no orders from this office to do so.

Respectfully,

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
Director of the Unit.



SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

*Jan. 11, 1917*

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold,  
and would thank you to have duplicate assays  
made on each sample, reporting the results to  
this office and returning the balance of the  
samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

P. J. H. von Engelken,  
Director of the Mint.

By

*J. J. Chaffin*  
Acting Director.

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# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM



WRITTEN:

Washington, Jan. 11, 1917.

## NIGHT MESSAGE

Superintendent Mint,	San Francisco, California.
"	" Philadelphia, Penna.
"	Assay Office, New York City.
Assayer in Charge, Mint,	Carson, Nevada.
"	" New Orleans, Louisiana.
"	Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
"	" Deadwood, S. D.
"	" Helena, Montana.
"	" Salt Lake City, Utah.
"	" Boise, Idaho.

Commencing January twelfth pay for silver  
seventy-four cents fine ounce

von Engelken

Director

*[Handwritten signature]*

Contingent expenses Mint Bureau 1917

BUSINESS,  
MENT HATES,

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL BOOK FORM 2126



January 11, 1917.

SUBJECT: General Instructions and Regulations.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

On December 14th this office addressed a letter to you with which was enclosed copy of amendment to Sections 2 and 3, Article 16, of the General Instructions and Regulations in relation to the transaction of business at the Mints and Assay Offices of the United States. The amendment to these sections provided for the destruction of the obverse working dies at the several Mints and the discontinuance of the practice of returning the destroyed dies to the Mint at Philadelphia.

It is observed from letter received from you under date of January 5th that you have, as heretofore, forwarded the condemned dies to Philadelphia. I am enclosing herewith another copy of this amendment to the regulations. Please advise this office whether letter of December 14th was received.

Respectfully,

F. J. H. von Engelken,  
Director of the Mint.

By

*F. J. H. von Engelken*  
Acting Director.

Enclosure.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

Washington, Jan. 12, 1917.



Superintendent Mint

San Francisco, California.

Cause delivery ensign quarters How many can  
we count on by tonight Honor curfew orders Favor  
quarters  
coinage Answer immediately

von Engelken

Director

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BUSINESS,  
MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Contingent expenses Mint Bureau 1917

The appropriation from which payment must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



Washington,

January 12, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Wire value undeposited minor ~~exchange~~ coinage  
on hand December thirty-first.

von Engelken

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 3128



Jan. 11, 1917.

Subject - Minor coin distribution.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Your account for expenditures during the quarter ended Dec. 31, 1916, from the appropriation Contingent Expenses, Independent Treasury, 1917, in the sum of \$10,882.22, has been brought to the attention of this office.

It is noted that the cost of distributing minor coin has been charged to the above named appropriation, in the sum of \$7,339.80. This should have been paid from the profits on minor coinage; in this connection please refer to letter of this office dated May 10, 1916, pages 3 and 4, where the accounting procedure is explained; also please refer to Sec. 3528 and 3529 Revised Statutes (part of the coinage laws).

At the other Mints the procedure has been, when coin is shipped by express, to use the regular Govt. bill of lading, with direction to voucher the account to the Director of the Mint, if for minor coin distribution, and to the Secretary of the Treasury if for other coin. When the bills are received here they are verified as to rates charged, etc., and forwarded to the Mint which made the shipment for payment from the minor profits reserved for that purpose. It is suggested that in future this procedure be followed at your institution unless you have data for verification of rates charged or are willing to take the risk of making payments prior to verification, in which case direction on bill of lading should be to voucher to the San Francisco Mint (on minor coin shipments only). In this connection it may be noted that the amounts charged on the bills now under consideration are correct with the exception of failure to make an excess valuation charge of \$8.90 on shipment of \$10,000 in nickels to Chicago on Nov. 28th.

Accounts rendered under the Independent Treasury appropriation should be forwarded to this office as directed in letter dated Nov. 16, 1916.



Minor coin distribution  
Jan. 17, 1917.

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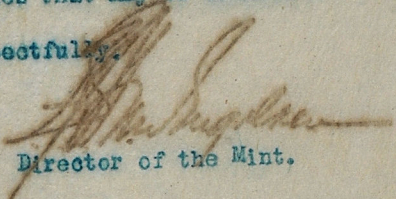
San Francisco Mint

Since you had not on hand on Dec. 31st sufficient unexpended minor coinage profits to reimburse the Independent Treasury appropriation for the amounts erroneously charged to it, it will not be possible to make corrections as of Dec. 31st. Suggestion has therefore been made to the Secretary's Office (Division of Public Monies) that your account be approved for the amount properly chargeable to the Independent Treasury appropriation, with recommendation for disallowance under said appropriation of the amount properly chargeable to minor profits.

Your accounts for the quarter ended Dec. 31st should be stated as though the amount expended from the Independent Treasury appropriation, \$10,882.22, was correct; and during the current quarter you should reimburse to said appropriation from minor profits the amounts erroneously paid therefrom, which will, in the current quarter, dispose of the above mentioned disallowance in the prior quarter.

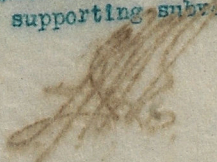
If directions given for handling the expense of distributing minor coin are not sufficiently clear this office will be pleased to answer any inquiries that may be submitted.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

P. S.: - Since writing the above it has been learned that postal shipments of minor coin, as well as express shipments, were made, and that the postage charges on minor coin carried by the Oct. voucher were \$329.50, and by the Nov. voucher \$249.50. These amounts, if correct, should also be reimbursed to the Independent Treasury appropriation from the profits on minor coinage.

Please have future vouchers so itemized as to kind of coin shipped, value, weight, destination, rate charged, etc., as to be readily checked from the supporting subvouchers.





January 13, 1917.

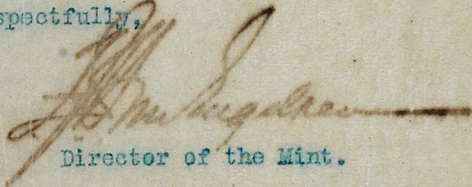
SUBJECT: Motor.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The Superintendent of the Mint at Denver reports that you have on hand a motor which is not in use. He states that he can utilize it at the Denver Mint. Will you please direct that the motor be packed and shipped to the Superintendent of the Mint at Denver, the charges of packing and shipping to be paid by Denver. It is understood that there are no other charges to be made than those of packing and shipping.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in brown ink, appearing to read "J. B. Hughes", is written over the typed name of the Director of the Mint.

Director of the Mint.



January 15th, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold,  
and would thank you to have duplicate assays  
made on each sample, reporting the results to  
this office and returning the balance of the  
samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

FPD-W

Enclosure.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

NIGHT MESSAGE.

January 15, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Consider it better for you to prefer charges in  
writing, give McGinn opportunity to answer, and recommend to me  
his dismissal.

von Engelken

Director.

ALL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION TO

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

The appropr. station from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212B



January 17, 1917.

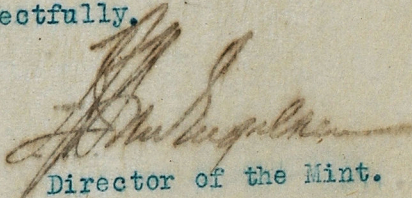
SUBJECT: Cost reports.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

When may we expect to hear from you on the  
cost report as discussed at the conference of Mint  
officials held in November last.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

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January 16th, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold,  
and would thank you to have duplicate assays  
made on each sample, reporting the results to  
this office and returning the balance of the  
samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

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Enclosure.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM



WRITTEN:

Washington, Jan. 18, 1917

Superintendent Mint, San Francisco, California.  
" " Denver, Colorado.  
" " Philadelphia, Penna.  
" " Assay Office, New York City.  
Assayer in Charge, Mint, New Orleans, La.  
" " Carson, Nev.  
" " Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.  
" " Helena, Montana.  
" " Deadwood, S. D.  
" " Boise, Idaho.  
" " Salt Lake City, Utah.

From now until close business Saturday half-staff  
flags account death Admiral Dewey

von Engelken

Director

BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Contingent expenses Mint Bureau 1917

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above list.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2120



January 18th, 1917.

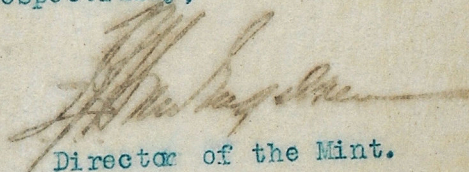
SUBJECT: Blue prints.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

For your information, I am enclosing under separate cover a blue print curve showing demand for subsidiary silver and minor coin for the past ten years.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.

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January 22nd, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

*W. P. Wood*  
Director of the Mint.

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Enclosure.



Jan. 22, 1917.

Subject - Accounts.

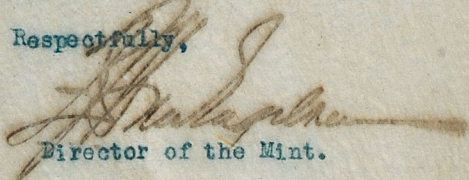
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

There has been deposited to your credit with the Assistant Treasurer at New York by C/D No. 4677 dated Jan. 4, 1917, by Grace & Co. of San Francisco, the sum of \$258.40 on account of bar charges, understood to be on bullion sold by you for account of Nozowa & Co., Yokohama.

This amount has been covered into the Treasury to your credit and should appear on your ordinary account current as both a receipt and a deposit.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



January 22nd, 1917.

SUBJECT: Daily report of coinage.

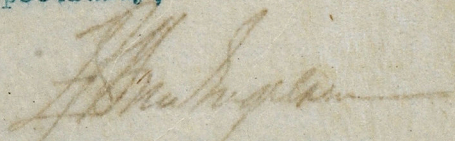
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Effective February 1st and until further advised, discontinue wiring daily balances of coin on hand.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.



January 23, 1917.

SUBJECT: Conference Report.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

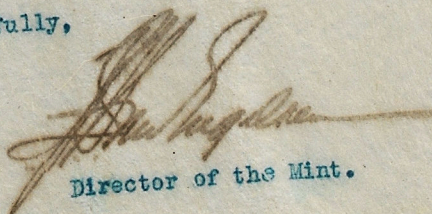
Sir:

I am enclosing herewith copies of letters received from the Superintendents of our institutions at New York and Philadelphia, in reply to your letter of the 2nd instant, written in response to my request of December 13th, that you report upon your visit to the above named offices.

Your letter has been read with interest and appreciation by this Office and by the two institutions concerned.

I believe the exchange of opinions and suggestions such as those embodied in the correspondence under consideration will be of much mutual benefit to our Service.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.



January 23, 1917.

SUBJECT: Installation of electric furnace.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

For your information I wish to advise that I have just completed the investigation of, and have caused contract to be signed for the purchase of, an electric furnace for the use of the Philadelphia Mint.

This furnace has a capacity of 700 pounds at a melt and is a tipping furnace, which will enable us to pour directly from the melting chamber into the moulds. This furnace will replace, in the case of the Philadelphia Mint, nine gas furnaces. For the present, this furnace will be used in the Philadelphia Mint for the melting of copper and nickel alloys only.

Experiments are being conducted at this time between the manufacturers and the New York Assay Office with a view to constructing smaller furnaces to be lined with graphite for use in melting gold and silver. If these experiments should prove successful and an installation of this kind be placed in New York



January 25, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would  
thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample,  
reporting the results to this office and returning the  
balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

*J. J. Van Engelken*

Director of the Mint.

FFD-W

Enclosure.



January 25, 1917.

SUBJECT: Special Assay Coins.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I have taken up recently the matter of the criticisms coming from the Assayer of the Bureau here of the mechanical imperfections in our coinage. I feel that in the past the matter has not been handled intelligently in so far as the coins that are criticized are subsequently destroyed and the Superintendents have no means of examining and verifying the coins criticized in order that they might intelligently bring about changes which would improve the coinage.

In an effort to remedy this condition, please in the future be governed by the instructions given herewith:

Beginning immediately, you will please send to this office from each of your deliveries from which assay coins are taken three coins in place of two, the three being taken in the same manner as the two have been taken in the past.



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Jan. 25, 1917.

The coins will be inspected by the Assayer of this office for mechanical imperfections, and one will be returned to you promptly; the other two will be assayed as in the past.

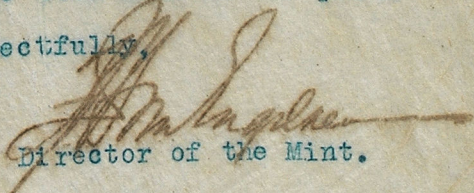
In order that there may be no confusion, I am enclosing herewith a sample form filled out to accompany the coins. It will be the endeavor in this office to return the coins to you for inspection each day, together with the return of form No. 971. You will note that on this form there is a notation covering the return of the extra coin.

You will also begin immediately the use of the special envelopes, sample of which is attached hereto. If this is not clear to you, please advise me promptly.

I feel that you should be enabled to check up the criticisms made by the Assayer in this office, as far as mechanical imperfections go, and that you cannot do this unless you are permitted to inspect the coin which is being criticized.

In the future, with coins undergoing two inspections, we should be able to determine the justness of the criticisms which have been made in the past.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



January 26, 1917.

SUBJECT: Forms, etc.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 15th instant, will state that the principal purpose in making revision of the Cashier's Daily Statement was to provide a record for use in the office of the Director that would show quickly and accurately the receipts, disbursements and balances of coin, and state the other actual transactions and balances so as to be readily apparent in their true relations.

Concerning your internal check on cash balance as between the Cashier and Bookkeeper, it is presumed that, while other than bullion fund cash in the custody of the Cashier is comparatively small (some \$12,000. in coin on January 12th, the date of your illustration), it is of sufficient importance when handled in the same office as the larger sums to warrant having some similar internal check; therefore if the bookkeeper will compare his total cash balance with the total cash balance of the Cashier the check between the two employees will be complete. Unless such a check is complete its real value is, at least, debatable.

As regards the apportionment of denominations of



S. F.

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Jan. 26, 1917.

coin necessary to bring the total into conformity with the amount due the Treasurer and reported to him daily, there would seem to be no more impropriety in the Bookkeeper making such apportionment from all coin reported to him by the Cashier as being on hand than for the Cashier to make an apportionment before reporting, especially when it is remembered that there is always on hand coin that does not belong to the Treasurer and that denominations are constantly being interchanged. It is noted that the Bookkeeper now makes adjustments of the minor coin.

In this connection, it is of interest to note another item -- a real inconsistency which is carried into the Treasurer's daily statement of assets and liabilities. Seigniorage coin -- both silver and minor -- does not belong to the Treasurer until it has been purchased by bullion fund check. Prior to such transfer it belongs with other revenues to the ordinary accounts; yet it is the practice to state the entire receipts of new coin, and in at least some instances without its having been purchased or transferred, as part of the Treasurer's assets, instead of crediting him only with coin of the value of the metal consumed. It is presumed that in case of silver the value of silver bullion reported as a Treasurer's asset is consequently reduced to the extent of the profits. As a result, if it should become necessary to physically separate the ordinary assets from the Treasurer's assets as of a particular unforewarned day, and



the Treasurer should be apportioned the coin shown on the statement rendered him, the ordinary account assets would include silver bullion, an anomalous condition. This is possible of remedying by determining seigniorage on each delivery of coin from the coining department, which could be done if the average price of metal of the prior month were used. However, the inconsistency is not mentioned with any view to early change of procedure, but to bring to attention the fact that the Treasurer's Daily Statement of assets and liabilities carries inconsistencies as between bullion and coin which are of more consequence than would be the apportionment to the Treasurer by the Bookkeeper of coin denominations actually on hand, which apportionments are now made by the Cashier.

The statement in the last paragraph of your letter, relative to the breaking down of safeguards, is somewhat general. If it refers to the stating of advance payments for bullion as such, it would appear that a little change in routine would provide an adequate check. For example, if the authority that approves advances would notify the Bookkeeper daily of the total authorizations, and the Warrant Clerk notified the Bookkeeper daily of the total warrants cleared, a memorandum from the Cashier to the Bookkeeper as below would



S. F.

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Jan. 25, 1917.

provide the check, viz:

Payments on warrants, -	\$2,546.	\$2,546.
" advance, -	500,000.	
" Total, -	<u>\$502,546.</u>	

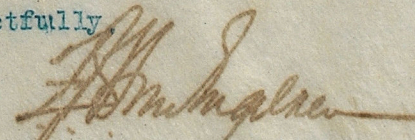
Prior advances cleared, -	\$215,000.
Warrants cleared, -	<u>\$217,546.</u>

As to the last part of the last paragraph of your letter to the effect that the warrant clerk must accept the unsupported statement of the Cashier as to certain transactions in order that they may check up, it would appear that the value of their independent reports to the bookkeeper must be destroyed if they compare with each other in order to come into agreement before reporting.

If the last paragraph of your letter refers to other matters, more detailed information would be needed to intelligently consider same.

As intimated in the first paragraph of this letter, it is desirable that this office know the denominations of coin on hand, and provision was made for same on the Cashier's Daily Statement.

Respectfully

  
Director of the Mint.



January 26, 1917.

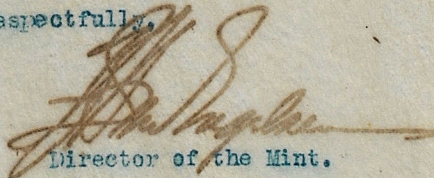
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith copies of letters written in behalf of Mr. W. A. Pryor, formerly a temporary employee in your Mint.

With the return of the papers herewith will you please inform me in regard to Mr. Pryor's Civil Service Status. If he is on an eligible list, or has passed an examination for any position in our service, please advise me. I would also like to have from you a report of his efficiency as far as you can judge from the short period of service rendered by him in the Mint.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.



January 29, 1917.

SUBJECT: ASSAY OF FINE GOLD

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

SIR:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would  
thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample,  
reporting the results to this office and returning the  
balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

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Enclosure.



January 31, 1917.

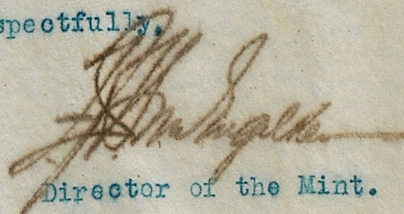
SUBJECT: Coinage operations - San Francisco Mint.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

From your statement it appears that you have on hand an ample supply of quarter dollars. From now on until further advised I desire that you use your own judgment in accumulating stocks which will be necessary to meet requirements of all denominations of coin, advising this office as to any changes you may make in your coinage operations.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



February 1, 1917.

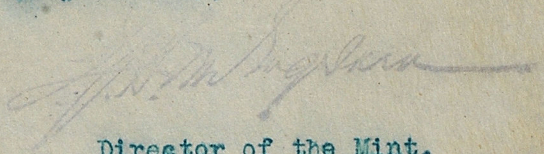
SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.

FPD-W

Enclosure.



February 2, 1917.

SUBJECT: Cost reports.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Your letter of January 25th, with which you enclosed a form for rendering monthly statement of statistics by the various institutions has been received, and I have forwarded a copy of the same to Philadelphia, New York and Denver, with the request that they advise me whether the rendering of such a report would be deemed advisable, and to make any suggestions that they may see fit with regard to the same.

As soon as I hear from these institutions I will let you know what they have to say.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



RE WRITTEN:

Washington, February 3, 1917.

Superintendent Mint, Denver Colorado.  
Superintendent Mint, San Francisco, California.

Effective immediately allow no visitors in your institution. Permit only those having business to come in and see that anyone coming in is accompanied by guards at all times. Use every precaution to safeguard your institution against every possible contingency. Give matter no publicity.

von Engelken

Director

*Handwritten initials: JH*

FOR BUSINESS,  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHANGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Contingent expenses Mint Bureau 1917.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212B



February 5, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

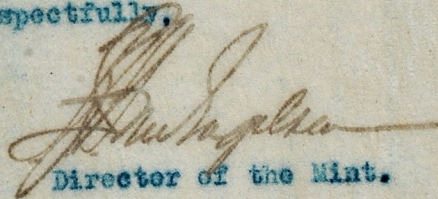
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.

FPD-W

Enclosure.



February 5, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assay results - San Francisco.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

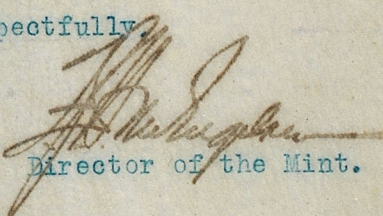
Sir:

Referring to yours of January 23rd, transmitting assay results:

The assays for C are given as 996.4 and 996.2.

I would thank you to verify these figures.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

✓  
FPD-W



February 5, 1917.

SUBJECT: Closing institutions to visitors.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Calif.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
Denver, Colo.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Assay Office,  
Seattle, Wash.

Assayer in Charge, U. S. Mint,  
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Sir:

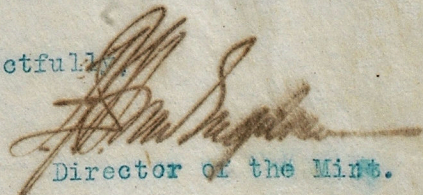
Please be referred to my telegram of the 3rd instant, which read as follows:

"Effective immediately allow no visitors in your institution. Permit only those having business to come in and see that anyone coming in is accompanied by guards at all times. Use every precaution to safeguard your institution against every possible contingency. Give matter no publicity".

I desire that you use every means at your command to safeguard your institution against every possible contingency, permitting only persons who have business with the institution to come in and to see that they are accompanied by guards at all times. If your force of watchmen is not sufficient to afford proper protection, you will assign other employees to guard duty until other arrangements can be made, advising me what steps you have taken.

Please give the matter of values contained in your institution no publicity whatever. Please also require all employees in your institution to follow these instructions.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

NIGHT MESSAGE.

February 7, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Authorized to use your metal for Philippine  
coinage as suggested.

von Engelken

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

BUSINESS.  
MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.



February 8, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

F. J. H. [Signature]  
Director of the Mint

By [Signature]  
Director of the Mint

FPD-W

Enclosure.



February 8th, 1917.

SUBJECT: Requisition for funds.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds to meet the expenses of that institution during the fiscal year 1917, has been approved in the following sums:

Salaries, -	\$5,000.00
Wages of workmen, -	5,000.00
Contingent expenses, -	<u>10,000.00</u>

Total, - \$20,000.00

Respectfully,

F.J.H. von Engelken,  
Director of the Mint.

By *F.J.H. von Engelken*  
Acting Director.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

February 9, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Authorized to call on civil service for  
four temporary watchmen.

von Engelken  
Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

AL BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

CHANGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2124.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

February 10, 1917.

Intendent Mint,

San Francisco, Cal.

Appointment White approved.

von Engelken  
Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212B



February 10, 1917.

Dear Senator:

I have your letter of the 30th of January relative to Mr. Theune, and have transmitted the contents to that gentleman.

I very much appreciate your earnest efforts in Mr. Theune's behalf, particularly as it was a matter of personal interest to me to a certain extent, and what you did was on my account.

Mr. Theune is going to San Francisco in any event, and will probably call upon you, not, however, with the purpose of imposing upon your kindness.

Very truly yours,



Hon. T. W. H. Shanahan,  
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.



February 12, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

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Enclosure.



Feb. 13, 1917.

Subject - Accounts.

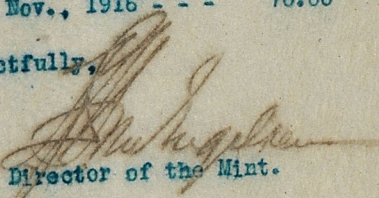
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Bills as follows have been forwarded to the Auditor for settlement, chargeable to your current contingent appropriation in the sums indicated:

Southern Pacific Co., trans. fire brick from Denver Oct. 21, 1916 - - - - -	\$120.40
Southern Pacific Co., trans. Messrs Shanahan and Hawkins from San Francisco to Washington Nov. 10, 1916 -	157.30
The Pullman Co., trans. Messrs Shanahan and Hawkins San Francisco to Washington and return in Nov., 1916 - - -	70.00

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

*JHC*



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

February 14, 1917.

Superintendent Mint.

San Francisco, Cal.

Appointment Carrie Fallon Quigley

approved.

~~Franklin~~ von Engelken  
Director.

O. R.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHANGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



ATTEN:

Washington,

February 14, 1917.

Attendant Mint

San Francisco, Cal.

Appointment Quinn approved.

von Engelken

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

MESS.

NT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2129.



February 14, 1917.

SUBJECT: Hytampite.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th instant enclosing a report made to you by Mr. E. J. Wagon, Superintendent of the Melting and Refining Department, in relation to the use of "Hytampite".

A copy of the report has been sent to the Mint at Denver, the Mint at Philadelphia, and the New York Assay Office, with request for exchange of opinions.

The reports received from the officers of the institutions named will be transmitted to you immediately.

Respectfully,

F. J. H. von Engelken

Director of the Mint

By

*H. M. O'Reilly*  
Acting Director.



February 15, 1917.


SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

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FEB 17

Enclosed.



February 15, 1917.

SUBJECT: Deposits of bullion.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Your report (Form 637) shows that you received during the calendar year 1916, unrefined bullion from Central America and South America as follows:

Gold, -	6,435.819	and	846.946	fine ounces, and
Silver, -	5,915.08	and	2,861.86	" "

respectively.

Pending the revision of the above form so that the several states of these divisions may be shown, I would request a statement giving a segregation of the above amounts, so that each country may be given its proper credit.

A prompt reply will be appreciated.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

NIGHT MESSAGE.

Washington,

February 17, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Denver, Colorado.

Assay Commission found coins from your mint  
calendar year nineteen sixteen up to standard.

von Engelken

Director.

AL BUSINESS.

ERNMENT RATES.

CHANGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



RE WRITTEN:

Washington,

Night letter.

February 17, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Insular Bureau wants ten thousand pesos in ten centavos  
ten thousand in five centavos and eight thousand in one-centavos  
shipped transport sailing March fifth. Ten and five centavo dies  
sent you. Have ordered one centavo dies rushed.

von Engelken  
Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2102.



SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose <sup>nine</sup> eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint. *OR*

FRD-W

Enclosure.



February 19, 1917.

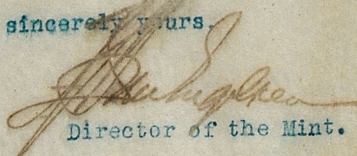
Dear Mr. Shanahan:

It is with sincere regret that I have to advise you that I have sent in my resignation as Director of the Mint, and that it will become effective at the close of business on Tuesday, February 20th.

In severing my business connection with you as a co-worker in the Mint service, I want to express to you my sincere and earnest appreciation of the many courtesies that have been extended to me by you, and the hearty and intelligent cooperation with which you have at all times favored me in whatever I have tried to do for the improvement of the service.

I can say quite truthfully that my association with you in the Mint Service has been the most pleasant of any in my business experience, and that it is a matter of real regret to me that my judgement has made it seem advisable to leave the service to take up the work in the Federal Land Bank in Columbia. S. C.

Very sincerely yours,

  
Director of the Mint.

Hon. T. W. H. Shanahan,  
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.



February 20, 1917.

SUBJECT: Blank Form 971.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,  
Denver, Colo.  
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal. ✓

Sir:

I am forwarding to you by mail today a supply (350 copies) of amended form 971 - "Transmittal of Special Assay Coins" - which you will please proceed to put into use upon their receipt.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

AAH- ✓



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM



ATTN:

Washington,

Night Message

February 21, 1917.

Philadelphia, Pa.  
San Francisco, Cal.  
Denver, Col.  
New Orleans, La.  
Carson, Nevada.  
Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.  
" " Salt Lake, Utah.  
" " Deadwood, S. D.  
" " Helena, Mont.  
" " Boise, Idaho.  
" " New York City.

Beginning twenty-third instant pay seventy-seven cents ~~per~~ ounce  
for silver partings.

O'Reilly

Acting Director.

RATES.

Transmit Telegram, Application for

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above list.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



SUBJECT: Assays of Silver Gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and  
would ask you to have duplicate assays made on  
each sample, reporting the results to this office  
and retaining the balance of the samples for further  
assaying.

Respectfully,

*W. H. C. Haffner*  
Director of the Mint.

✓  
FEB-7

Enclose.



February 24, 1917.

SUBJECT: Exchange of Crucibles & Cups for Stirrers.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
Denver, Colo.

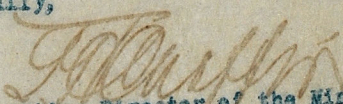
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The assayer in charge at Helena advises this office that he has on hand over 200 8-inch graphite crucibles and 23 dripping cups, which he would like to exchange for some 12-inch stirrers.

Can you spare some stirrers of any length to exchange for these crucibles and cups, providing, of course, that you can use the crucibles and cups?

Respectfully,

  
Acting Director of the Mint.

PHC



NIGHT MESSAGE.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

Denver, Colorado.  
San Francisco, Cal.

February 24, 1917.

What amount of sponge platinum have you on hand.

Wire reply.

*Chaffin*  
Acting Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

BUSINESS.

MENT STATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125



February 27th, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of Fine Gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

Acting

*J. M. Hill*  
Director of the Mint.

JPH-7

Enclosure.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

NIGHT MESSAGE.

February 26, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Ship platinum sponge to New York for sale.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

ANCE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212B.



February 26, 1917.

SUBJECT: Sale of platinum.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I wired you this day as follows:

"Ship platinum sponge to New York for sale".

My reason for making this request was that platinum was quoted on the market during the past week at about \$105.00, and it would appear to be the right time to sell all the platinum that we have to dispose of.

When the sale is made by the New York Assay Office you will be credited with the proceeds through the regular channels.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.



March 1, 1917.

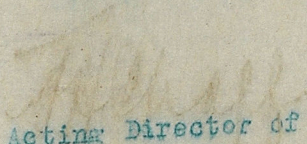
SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

  
Acting Director of the Mint.

FPD-W

Enclosure.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

*Night*

Washington,

March 1, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,	San Francisco,	California.
"	"	Denver, Colorado.
"	"	Philadelphia, Penna.
"	Assay Office, New York City.	
Assayer in Charge,	Mint,	New Orleans, La.
"	"	Carson, Nev.
"	"	Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
"	"	Helena, Montana.
"	"	Boise, Idaho.
"	"	Salt Lake City, Utah.
"	"	Deadwood, S. D.

Beginning March ~~and~~ second pay for silver partings  
seventy-five cents fine ounce.

*Acting Director*

Contingent expenses Mint Bureau 1917.

BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

ARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212B



March 3rd, 1917.

SUBJECT: Platinum utensils.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

With reference to your letter of the 20th ultimo, in regard to a platinum dish which was sent to the Superintendent of the New York Assay Office for repair, I beg to advise you that I have this day been informed by the Superintendent of that office that he has been unable to repair the old dish, but has been able to have a new dish spun which he says is far superior to the damaged dish. The new dish has gone forward to you.

Respectfully,

*F. C. Chapin*  
Acting Director of the Mint.

FHC-W



March 3rd, 1917.

NOT: New silver coinage.

Comptroller, U. S. Mint, ✓  
San Francisco, California.

Comptroller, U. S. Mint,  
Denver, Colorado.

I am enclosing herewith copies of letters in  
reference to the new design dime, which are self-explanatory.  
Please employ every means possible to avoid the  
defect in the dime which is referred to in these communications.  
It is important to guard the interests of  
slot machine people to our utmost ability.

Respectfully,

*J. H. Caffin*  
Acting Director of the Mint.

Enclosure.



March 6, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

*J. H. Chaffin*  
Acting Director of the Mint.

FED-W

Enclosure.



March 6th, 1917.

SUBJECT: Cashier's Daily statement.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Your coinage report, form No. 246, shows the coinage during February of \$7,700.00 in 1-cent bronze pieces, while the coinage reported in your daily statement, form 231-A shows the following deliveries:

February 5 -	\$1,000.
" 7	1,000.
" 9	1,000.
" 10	1,000.
" 12	1,000.
" 14	1,000.
" 19	700.
	<u>\$6,700.</u>

Please inform me which figures are correct.

Respectfully,

*W. H. C. Smith*  
Acting Director of the Mint.

AAH-W ✓



March 7, 1917.

SUBJECT: Requisition for funds.

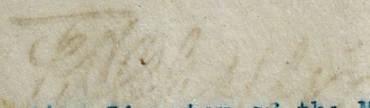
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds to meet the expenses of that institution during the fiscal year 1917, has been approved in the following sums:

Salaries, -	\$5,000.00
Wages of workmen, -	15,000.00
Contingent expenses, -	<u>5,000.00</u>
Total, -	\$25,000.00

Respectfully,

  
Acting Director of the Mint.



March 7, 1917.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Bills as below have been forwarded to  
the Auditor for settlement, chargeable to your  
current contingent appropriation in the sums indi-  
cated:

Wells Fargo & Co. Express, transportation of fire clay from New York Dec. 19, 1916 - - - - -	\$10.40
Transportation of ampere coils, etc., from Ampere, N. J., July 8, 1916, and dies from Phila. during November, 1916 - - - - -	21.64
Transportation of millionaire to New York Dec. 15, 1916, and dies and collars from Philadelphia during December - - - - -	53.50

Respectfully.

Acting Director of the Mint.



March 8th. 1917

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

*W. H. Chaffin*  
Acting Director of the Mint.

FED-M

Enclosure.



March 8, 1917.

SUBJECT: Demand for coinage.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I beg to confirm my telegram of this date, which read as follows:

"Department does not deem it expedient for you to resume gold coinage at present. Demand urgent for subsidiary and minor coin. Increase output".

At the present time, there is a strong and increasing demand for subsidiary and minor coin, especially dimes and one-cent bronze pieces, and it is desired that all Mints increase balances in all denominations of minor and subsidiary coin as fast as possible, so that when the heaviest demands come upon us in the fall we will be in shape to meet them without working overtime, if possible.

The question of gold coinage was taken up some time ago, and it is not deemed expedient to coin gold while large balances of gold coin are held in various institutions.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

FHC-W



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington,

March 8, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Bureau Insular Affairs prefers not to have recoinage  
ever used for bars. Charge market rate not average price for bars.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR:

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128

TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington,

March 8, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal..

Department does not deem it expedient for you to resume  
coinage at present. Demand urgent for subsidiary and minor coin.  
Increase output.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR:

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128



March 9, 1917.

Subject - Accounts.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Please forward schedule showing deposit number, date, to whom, and amount, to support the item of \$2,408,000 advanced on bullion, carried on your bullion account current for the quarter ended Dec. 31, 1916.

The deposit melting room recoveries have not been taken into the accounts as directed in letter of this office dated May 10, 1916, for either the September or December quarters.

With reference to the space on deposit certificates for bar number, will state that the purpose of this was for indication of number of bar issued in payment for deposits; but if you wish to continue to use it for indication of number of the bar deposited there is no objection, or the space may be left blank if you choose. The space was provided as a working convenience, not as an accounting feature.

It is noted that no balance is being carried in the special deposit account. This may result in difficulty if called upon to pay for distributing minor coin after all profits have been covered into the Treasury as such and minor coin is not being manufactured. It is suggested that the matter be handled as provided for in letter of this office dated May 10, 1916.

When a number of vouchers are aggregated for entry in the accounts, such as minor metal purchases and minor distribution expenses during the past quarter, it is requested that the items be scheduled as in the case of ordinary account vouchers.

Please state the capacity in which H. R. Merriam represents the California Wire Cloth Co., voucher No. 15, Nov.; also capacity in which G. E. Farley represents the M. E. Fairbank Co., voucher No. 29, Dec..



Saml. Aitken, Foreman, was paid Nov. 1 - 15, as per payroll, for 13 1/8 days at \$5.25, \$79.41; this is \$10.50 in excess of the correct computation of these figures.

J. Rodgers, Helper, was paid Oct. 16-31, as per payroll, for 17 3/4 days at \$3.50, \$62.53; this is 41¢ in excess of the correct computation of these figures.

With reference to January voucher No. 9, for printing cards, \$18.00, attention is invited to the fact that the law requires that all printing shall be done at the Government printing office. If the Auditor should disallow the item the sum in question would have to be returned to your appropriation.

Respectfully,

*F. C. Chaffin*  
Acting Director of the Mint.



March 9, 1917.

SUBJECT: Dies for the San Francisco Mint.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I have this day requested the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia to furnish you with the following coinage dies:

Ten (10) pairs half dollar;  
Ten (10) obverse and  
Fifteen (15) reverse quarter dollar;  
Fifteen (15) obverse and  
Five (5) reverse dime;  
Ten (10) pairs five-cent nickel; and  
Ten (10) pairs one-cent bronze.

From your monthly coinage die report, it appears that you show as having been ordered on December 4th ten (10) pairs of nickel and ten (10) pairs of one-cent bronze dies, while the records of this office show that all dies ordered for your institution have been shipped.

It is desired that a sufficient number of dies for subsidiary and minor coin be kept on hand in the various institutions, so that if we are called upon to rush the coinage of any particular denomination there will be no delay on account of dies.



San Francisco.

-2-

March 9, 1917.

It is also desired that orders for dies be placed as far in advance of an institution's needs as possible, so that the Mint at Philadelphia may not be called upon to furnish a large number of dies on short notice.

Respectfully,

*F. W. Johnson*  
Acting Director of the Mint

PHC-W



March 10, 1917.

SUBJECT: Dies for the San Francisco Mint.

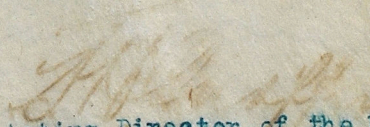
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Referring to your telegram of the 9th instant, ordering certain dies, I beg to advise you that on that date this office anticipated that you might need certain dies and placed an order with the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia.

I did not, however, order as many obverse nickel and one-cent bronze dies as requested in your telegram, and have this day increased the order from ten (10) to fifteen (15) obverse nickel and one-cent bronze dies, respectively.

Respectfully,

  
Acting Director of the Mint.

ENC-V



March 12, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

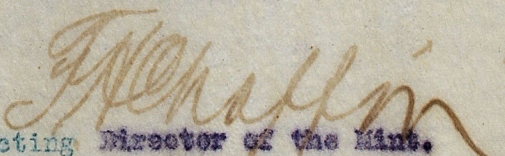
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

  
Acting Director of the Mint.

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FED-W

Enclosure.



(COPY)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
BUREAU OF INSULAR AFFAIRS  
WASHINGTON

March 10, 1917.

The Director of the Mint,  
Treasury Department,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I beg to inform you that this Bureau is in receipt of a cablegram from the Governor General of the Philippine Islands requesting that arrangements be made for the coinage and shipment of forty thousand pesos (₱ 40,000) in five centavos, and twenty-five thousand pesos (₱ 25,000) in one centavos.

It is accordingly respectfully requested that the Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco, California, be instructed to prepare this coinage and ship it to Manila when completed, as in previous similar cases.

The purchase of such material as is necessary is hereby authorized, and payment therefor, as well as for the cost of coinage, will be made by this Bureau from Philippine revenues, as heretofore.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) F. R. Brown,

Acting Chief of Bureau.

Bureau of the Mint, March 12, 1917.

Respectfully referred to the  
Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

For your information.

*F. R. Brown*  
Acting Director of the Mint.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington,



March 13, 1917.

Superintendent Mint, San Francisco, Cal.  
" " Philadelphia, Penna.  
" " Denver, Colo.  
" Assay Office, New York City.  
Assayer in Charge, Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.  
" " " Helena, Montana.  
" " " Deadwood, S. D.  
" " " Salt Lake City, Utah.  
" " " Boise, Idaho.  
" " " Mint, New Orleans, La.  
" " " Carson City, Nev.

Commencing March fourteenth pay for silver partings  
seventy-three cents fine ounce.

Chaffin

Acting Director

ENGINEER,  
TREASURY DEPT.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Contingent Expenses Mint Bureau 1917.  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125



(COPY)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
BUREAU OF INSULAR AFFAIRS  
WASHINGTON

March 13, 1917.

Director of the Mint,  
Treasury Department,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I beg to inform you that this bureau is today in receipt of a cablegram from the Governor General of the Philippine Islands advising of the shipment on the transport "Logan", sailing from Manila on the 15th instant, to the Superintendent of the Mint, San Francisco, Calif., in charge of Captain Jacob E. Fickel, 6th Regiment U. S. Infantry, of 175,000 pesos Philippine silver coin for recoinage purposes.

It is accordingly respectfully requested that the Superintendent of the San Francisco Mint be directed to cause an official count and report on this shipment of coin to be made and to certify the same to this bureau for transmittal to the Auditor and Treasurer of the Philippine Islands, as in previous similar shipments.

Any expense incident to such count and report will be a proper charge against this bureau, and payment will be made as heretofore upon presentation of proper vouchers.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) Chas. C. Walcutt, jr.,

Assistant to Chief of  
Bureau.

Bureau of the Mint, March 14, 1917

Respectfully referred to the  
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

For your information.

*W. H. C. Walcutt, jr.*  
Acting Director of the Mint.



March 15, 1917.

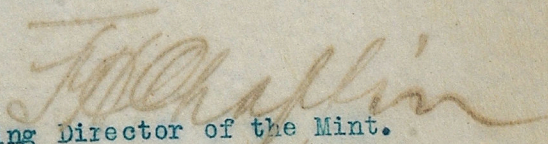
SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

  
Acting Director of the Mint.

FPD-W

Enclosure.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

NIGHT MESSAGE:

March 15, 1917.

Superintendent Mint, San Francisco, Cal.  
" " Philadelphia, Penna.  
" " Denver, Colo.  
" Assay Office, New York City.  
Assayer in Charge, Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.  
" " Helena, Mont.  
" " Boise, Idaho.  
" " Salt Lake City, Utah.  
" " Deadwood, S. D.  
" " Mint, New Orleans, La.  
" " Carson City, Nevada.

Commencing March sixteenth pay for silver partings  
seventy-two cents fine ounce

Chaffin

*Chaffin*

Acting Director

Contingent expenses, Mint Bureau 1917.

ALL BUSINESS.  
PERMITS RATES.

Office Treasury Department, Appropriation for

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125



(COPY)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
WASHINGTON

March 13, 1917.

The Honorable  
The Secretary of the Treasury.

Sir:

I beg to inform you that this department is today in receipt of a cablegram from the Governor General of the Philippine Islands advising of the shipment on the transport "Logan", sailing from Manila on the 15th instant, to the Superintendent of the Mint, San Francisco, Calif., in charge of Captain Jacob E. Pickel, 6th Regiment U. S. Infantry, of 175,000 pesos Philippine silver coin for recoinage purposes.

May I request that instructions be given for the receipt and recoinage of this shipment in Philippine silver coin?

Very respectfully,

(Signed) Wm. M. Ingraham,

Acting Secretary of War.

Bureau of the Mint, March 16, 1917.

Respectfully referred to the  
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

For your information.

*J. P. Chaffin*  
Acting Director of the Mint.



(COPY)

WAR DEPARTMENT  
BUREAU OF INSULAR AFFAIRS  
WASHINGTON

March 15, 1917.

Director of the Mint,  
Treasury Department,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

With reference to this bureau's letter of the 13th instant in relation to the Philippine silver coin which is being shipped from Manila to the Superintendent of the Mint, San Francisco, California, on the transport sailing today, for recoinage purposes, I beg to advise you today that the bureau is today in receipt of the following supplementary cablegram from the Governor General of the Philippine Islands, which is self-explanatory:

"175,000 pesos, silver pesos, being shipped March 15, 1917, to San Francisco Mint. Upon arrival have recoined into 50 centavo pieces and ship as early as possible".

Very respectfully,

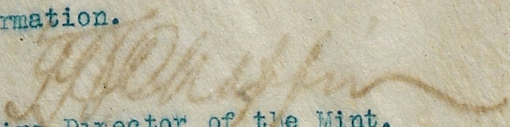
(Signed) F. R. Brown,

Assistant to Chief of Bureau.

Bureau of the Mint, March 16, 1917.

Respectfully referred to the  
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

For your information.

  
Acting Director of the Mint.



**TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.**



Washington,

March 16, 1917.

Superintendent Mint  
San Francisco California

Wire amount fine and standard silver bullion  
on hand Estimate how long it will last coining  
full capacity normal time

Chaffin,

Acting Director

*Handwritten signature or initials in brown ink.*

Contingent expenses Mint Bureau 1917

BUSINESS  
UNIT STATES

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2185



March 17, 1917.

SUBJECT: Sale of platinum, etc.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
Denver, Colorado.

Sir:

Until further advised, please do not sell, offer for sale, or dispose of any platinum, palladium, or iridium you may now have on hand, or produce in the future, unless specifically directed to do so by this office.

The New York Assay Office has been instructed to hold the platinum consigned there by you for sale.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter.

Respectfully,

*W. C. Cress*  
Acting Director of the Mint.

FHC-W



March 19, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.

PED-W

Enclosure.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



RE WRITTEN:

Washington,

March 20, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Authorized to sell metal on hand for Philippine nickel  
coinage. Will invite bids for copper.

Baker

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

AL BUSINESS.  
VERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



Washington,

March 20, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Employment Bannalack authorized.

Baker

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



TYPE WRITTEN:

Washington,

March 20, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

In addition to Philippine coinage only that amount of domestic coin expected from you at present as can be produced running on normal basis. Authorized to employ as many temporary helpers as you deem absolutely necessary to accomplish this.

Baker

Director.

GENERAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.  
CHANGY TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



March 20, 1917.

Subject - Accounts.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Again referring to the question of accounting quarterly for bullion recoveries incident to the receipt of bullion deposits, I note the practice at the San Francisco mint as explained in your letter dated the 14th instant, of an annual accounting and annual settlement on grains between the receiving room and the melting and refining department. The other offices are accounting quarterly for receiving room recoveries, which seems to me to be not too frequent for good practice. I am not clear as to whether you run a continuing open account between the receiving room and melting and refining department on grains; but it seems to me that a complete monthly, or at most quarterly, settlement of same would be very desirable.

So far as practicable it is not only desirable but mandatory by law that revenues be accounted for during the quarter to which they pertain.

Respectfully,

*Ady* *Fuller*  
Director of the Mint.



March 20, 1917.

SUBJECT: Forms, etc.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith four copies of form No. 61, Deposits and Purchases of gold and silver during the calendar year 1916, for completion. Please furnish the required data in column "Silver - Cost Value".

The receipt of the revised forms at an early date will be appreciated.

Respectfully,

*any J. H. Chapman*  
Director of the Mint.

Enclosures.  
*EBL*



March 20, 1917.

SUBJECT: Dies for the San Francisco Mint.

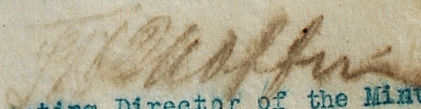
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I have your letter of the 14th instant, in which you state that on December 4th you ordered 30 pairs of five-cent nickel and 30 pairs of one-cent bronze dies, and received only 20 pairs each of the said dies.

I beg to inform you that the die department of the Mint at Philadelphia was so rushed at that time your order for dies of these two denominations was reduced from 30 to 20 pairs each. I have this day ordered ten pairs each of the nickel and one-cent dies forwarded to you as soon as practicable.

Respectfully,

  
Acting Director of the Mint.



March 22, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.

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FPB-W

Enclosure.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington,

March 23, 1917.



Assistant Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Authorized to employ men named in ~~xxxxx~~

telegram twenty-second.

Baker

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

MESS.  
RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212R.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



RE WRITTEN:

NIGHT MESSAGE.

Washington,

March 23, 1917.

Superintendent Mint  
San Francisco California.

Accept from Herbert P. Tyson fourteen tons  
copper at thirty four and three quarter cents pound

Baker,

Director.

Contingent expenses Mint Bureau 1917

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212a



March 23, 1917.

SUBJECT: Purchase of copper - San Francisco.

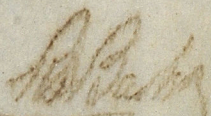
Mr. Herbert P. Tyson,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Confirming my telegram of the 22nd instant, I beg to advise you that your offer to lay down at the Mint building, San Francisco, fourteen tons of ingot copper at thirty-four and three quarter ( $34\text{-}3/4$ ) cents per pound is accepted.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.

FHC-W



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

NIGHT MESSAGE.

Washington,

March 23, 1917.

Superintendent Mint  
San Francisco, Cal.

Accept from American Smelting Refining Company  
two hundred thousand ounces ~~fine~~ silver at rate of seven two seven five  
fine ounce.

Baker

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

AL BUSINESS.

PERMANENT RATES.

Conte Treasury Department, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2-1400



March 24, 1917.

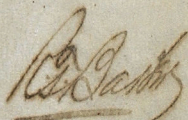
SUBJECT: Dies for the San Francisco Mint.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I beg to advise you that my order for dies under date of March 9th for your institution was misinterpreted by the Mint at Philadelphia, and on the 21st instant they shipped to you twenty (20) obverse half dollar dies, instead of ten (10) obverse half dollar dies as ordered; fifteen (15) obverse quarter dollar, instead of ten (10) as ordered; and omitted fifteen (15) obverse dime dies. I am advised that the fifteen (15) obverse dime dies will go forward to you on this date.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.

FHC-W



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

NIGHT MESSAGE.

Washington,

March 24, 1917

Superintendent Mint, San Francisco, California.  
 " " Philadelphia, Pa.  
 " " Denver, Colo.  
 " Assay Office, New York, N.Y.  
 " in Charge, Mint, New Orleans, La.  
 " " Carson City, Nev.  
 " " Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.  
 " " " Helena, Montana.  
 " " " Boise, Idaho.  
 " " " Salt Lake City, Utah.  
 " " " Deadwood, S. D.

Commencing March twenty-sixth pay for silver partings  
seventy cents fine ounce

Baker,

Director.

BUSINESS.

INMENT RATES.

ARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Contingent expenses, Mint Bureau, 1917

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM #12B



March 26, 1917.

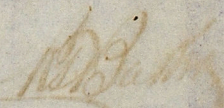
SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

FED-W

Enclosure.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

March 27, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Appointment temporary helpers recommended in  
telegram twenty-sixth approved.

Baker  
Director.

Cent. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

BUSINESS.  
MENT RATES.

THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR .....  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

March 27, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Bureau inviting bids to be opened Thursday on  
delivery two hundred thousand ounces fine silver to your  
Mint. Invite ~~ask for~~ bids locally and wire synopsis.

Baker  
Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

THE APPROPRIATION FROM WHICH PAYABLE MUST BE STATED ON ABOVE LINE.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



March 27, 1917.

SUBJECT: Accounts.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Bills as below have been forwarded to the Auditor for settlement, chargeable to your current contingent appropriation in the sums indicated:

Wells Fargo & Company, Express, dies from Philadelphia January 4 and 9, 1917, \$5.62

Southern Pacific Company, stationery from Washington, November 15, 1916, \$9.37

Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Company, stationery from Washington December 7, 1916, \$3.01

Philadelphia Mint, packing hopper feed and dime collars, \$56.99; dime and nickel collars \$74.69

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

NIGHT MESSAGE.

March 29, 1917.

Superintendent, Mint,	San Francisco,	California.
"	"	Philadelphia, Penna.
"	"	Denver, Colo.
"	Assay Office,	New York, N.Y.
Assayer in Charge, Mint,	New Orleans,	La.
"	"	Carson, Nev.
"	Assay Office,	Seattle, Wash.
"	"	Helena, Montana.
"	"	Deadwood, S. D.
"	"	Boise, Idaho.
"	"	Salt Lake City, Utah.

Commencing March thirtieth pay for  
silver partings seventy-two cents fine ounce

Baker,

Director

BUSINESS.

STANDARD RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Contingent expenses, Mint Bureau, 1917.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

Night Message

March 29, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Receive from American Smelting Refining Co.

two hundred thousand ounces silver at seventy three cents.

Baker

Director.

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Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

BUSINESS.  
PAYMENT RATES.

OF TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122.



March 29, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.

✓  
PPD-W

Enclosure.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



TE WRITTEN:

Washington,

March 31, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,

San Francisco, Cal.

Robert Quinn dropped from rolls close business twenty-

th instant.

Baker

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

AL BUSINESS.

ERNMENT RATES.

ARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122

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March 31, 1917.

SUBJECT: Graphite goods - San Francisco Mint.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Complying with your telegram of the 26th instant, I have this day ordered from Messrs. J. H. Gantier & Company 300 dippers No. 3, at \$1.50 each, and 100 dippers, No. 2, at \$1.25 each, packed and delivered f. o. b. Mint at San Francisco.

Messrs. Gantier & Company state that while they have not this material in stock, they believe that within three or four weeks the complete order can be forwarded to you, and I have requested that they give the same their very best attention, as you are in urgent need of them.

Respectfully,

*J. H. Gantier*  
Director of the Mint.

FHC-W



April 2, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

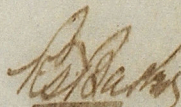
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.

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FPD-W

Enclosure.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

NIGHT MESSAGE.

April 2, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,	San Francisco, Cal.
"	Philadelphia, Pa.
"	Denver, Colo.
"	Assay Office, New York, N.Y.
Paymaster in Charge,	Mint, Carson, Nev.
"	" New Orleans, La.
"	" Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
"	" Helena, Montana.
"	" Boise, Idaho.
"	" Salt Lake City, Utah.
"	" Deadwood, S. D.

Commencing April third pay for silver partings  
seventy-four cents fine ounce

Baker,

Director

Contingent expenses Mint Bureau, 1917.

IN BUSINESS,  
PAYMENT FATES.

U.S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

April 3, 1917.

Intendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

~~Letter~~ Appointment Lord and Stademan approved.

Baker

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

BUSINESS.  
MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

*Nightman*

Washington,

April 8, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,	San Francisco, Cal.
"	" Philadelphia, Pa.
"	" Denver, Colo.
"	Assay Office, New York City, N.Y.
Assayer in Charge, Mint,	New Orleans, La.
"	" Carson, Nev.
"	" Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
"	" Helena, Montana.
"	" Boise, Idaho.
"	" Deadwood, S. D.
"	" Salt Lake City, Utah.

Commencing April sixth pay for silver partings  
seventy-two cents fine ounce

Baker

Director

*JHE*

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT PAPER.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Contingent expenses Mint Bureau 1917

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The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above ltr.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK BOOK page 1/20



April 5, 1917.

SUBJECT: Notes of 1917.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

*Wm. H. Miller*  
Director of the Mint.

WHD

Enclosure,



April 5, 1917.

SUBJECT: Certificate of deposit, etc.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

By certificate of deposit No. 4607, dated March 23, 1917, there has been covered into the Treasury to your credit and to the credit of miscellaneous receipts the sum of \$9.59 received from the Disbursing Agent, Philippine revenues, for coin boxes used in shipping Philippine coin.

By certificate of deposit No. 4606, dated March 23, 1917, there has been covered into the Treasury to your credit, and to the credit of the appropriations indicated below, the sum of \$3300.00, on account of coinage charges on Philippine coin:

Wages of workmen, Mint at San Francisco, 1917, -	\$2200.00
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Contingent expenses, Mint at San Francisco, 1917, -	1100.00
	<hr/> \$3300.00

These amounts having been covered into the Treasury in March they should appear in your accounts for the quarter ended March 31, 1917.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,



April 9, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,

San Francisco, Cal.

Authorized to invite bids and accept lowest on tin and

also invite bids on copper and wire synopsis. Bureau will invite bids on copper  
also opened Wednesday.

Baker

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

AL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHANGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



April 9, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.

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WPD-W

Enclosure.



April 9, 1917.

SUBJECT: Requisition for funds.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds to meet the expenses of that institution during the fiscal year 1917, has been approved in the following sums:

Salaries, -	\$5,000.00
Wages of workmen, -	15,000.00
Contingent expenses, -	<u>5,000.00</u>
	\$30,000.00

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



TEN:

Washington,

Night message.

April 10, 1917.

Comptroller Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Appointment Bolen approved.

Baker  
Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

MESS.  
NT RATES.

RY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



April 12, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

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PPD-W

Enclosure.



April 13, 1917.

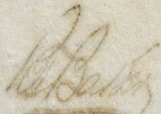
SUBJECT: Coinage - San Francisco Mint.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

As soon as you have accumulated approximately \$500,000. in half dollars, please discontinue the coinage of that denomination and proceed with the coinage of quarter dollars and dimes, favoring the latter denomination.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

TEN:

Washington,



April 14, 1917.

Intendent Mint,

San Francisco, Cal.

Appointment Schmierer approved.

Baker

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

NOTES.

DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



Washington,

April 16, 1917.

Assistant Mint,

San Francisco, Cal.

locally

Invite bids/and wire synopsis to Bureau today on

two hundred thousand ounces fine silver your Mint.

Baker

Director

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

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RATES.  
TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR .....  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



April 16, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.

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FPD-W

Enclosure.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington,

Night message.

April 17, 1917.



Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Accept from American Smelting Refining Company  
two hundred thousand ounces silver purchased sixteenth instant.  
by seven five two five fine ounce.

Baker  
Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

BUSINESS  
MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

NIGHT MESSAGE:

April 18, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,	San Francisco,	Calif.
"	"	Philadelphia, Penna.
"	"	Denver, Colorado.
"	Assay Office, New York City.	
Assayer in Charge, Mint,	New Orleans,	La.
"	"	Carson, Nev.
"	"	Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
"	"	Deadwood, S. D.
"	"	Helena, Montana.
"	"	Boise, Idaho.
"	"	Salt Lake City, Utah.

Commencing April nineteenth pay for silver partings  
seventy-three cents fine ounce

Baker

Director

Contingent expenses Mint Bureau, 1917.

GENERAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

NIGHT MESSAGE.

April 19, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Advise exact date of furlough for Sheridan.

Baker  
Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 219.



April 19, 1917.

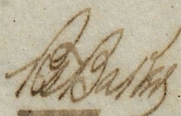
SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose nine samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office, and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.

FPD-W

Enclosure.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

Night message

April 20, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,

San Francisco, Cal.

Authorized to purchase carpets from lowest bidder.

Baker

Director

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

BUSINESS.  
MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

NIGHT MESSAGE.

April 20, 1917

Superintendent Mint,

San Francisco, California.

See letter March twenty-seventh Your requisition  
for forms not yet received Forward immediately

Baker

Director

BUSINESS.  
MENT RATES.  
TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Contingent expenses Mint Bureau 1917

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

NIGHT MESSAGE.

April 21, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Comply with request of Goddard

Baker

Director

Contingent expenses Mint Bureau 1917.

BUSINESS.  
ESTABLISHMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



RE WRITTEN: NIGHT MESSAGE.

Washington, April 23, 1917.

Superintendent Mint, San Francisco, California.  
 " " Philadelphia, Penna.  
 " " Denver, Colo.  
 " Assay Office, New York City.  
 Assayer in Charge, Mint, New Orleans, La.  
 " " " Carson, Nev.  
 " " " Assay Office, Seattle, Washington.  
 " " " " Helena, Montana.  
 " " " " Deadwood, S. D.  
 " " " " Boise, Idaho.  
 " " " " Salt Lake City, Utah.

Commencing April twenty-fourth pay for silver  
 partings seventy-two cents fine ounce

Baker

Director

SPECIAL BUSINESS.  
 GOVERNMENT RATES.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1917.

THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



April 23, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir;

I enclose nine samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.

FPD-W

Enclosure.



April 24, 1917.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:


It is my desire to begin the annual settlements as early as practicable this year, and in time to have them practically completed by July 1st. Will you please advise me of the date upon which, in your judgment, it will be expedient for you to begin the work at the San Francisco Mint.

In planning the work for the closing part of the fiscal year it will be necessary to arrange for the discontinuance of coinage for as short a period as possible. We have no way of determining the exact demands to be made by the Treasurer upon our coinage mints, and I am anxious to avoid the conditions which confronted us during the latter part of 1916.

Please have as much work done upon the inventory as conditions will permit as the settlement officers will undertake only a general review of properties outside of the precious metals.

I shall be glad to have from you any suggestions or advice you may wish to offer in regard to the work of settlement, and feel sure of your cooperation.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint



April 24, 1917.

Dear Senator:

I am very desirous of having the services of Mr. Hawkins in connection with the annual settlement at Philadelphia. I would like to have him take the chairmanship of that settlement as it is to be an important one this year.

Mr. Chaffin of this Bureau is to be in charge of the settlement at your Mint.

Will you please let me hear from you at your early convenience in regard to Mr. Hawkins, whose willingness to serve I am counting upon in case you can spare him.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.

Hon. T.W.H. Shanahan,  
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.



April 24, 1917.

SUBJECT: Accounts.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

Bills as below have been forwarded to the Auditor for settlement, chargeable to your current contingent appropriation in the sums indicated:

Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Company,  
graphite goods from Jersey City, December 28, 1916,  
\$32.64

Western Pacific Railroad Company, furnace ce-  
ment from Jamaica, New York, February 10th, 1917, \$9.62

Pennsylvania Railroad Company, cancelled dies  
to Philadelphia, January 5, 1917, \$19.29

Southern Pacific Company, automatic weighing  
machine from Philadelphia, December 18th, \$76.20

Southern Pacific Company, stationery from Wash-  
ington, December 12th, \$5.41

Southern Pacific Company, fire brick and tile  
from Denver, November 18th, \$122.76

Southern Pacific Company, envelopes from Rock-  
ville, Conn., January 17th, \$3.09

Southern Pacific Company, blower and parts from  
Denver, February 6th, \$57.64

Wells, Fargo & Company, Express, Millionaire Cal-  
culating Machine from New York, February 5, \$13.52

Wells, Fargo & Company, Express, collars and



San Francisco.

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April 24, 1917.

ails from Philadelphia, February 5th, 16th, 21st and  
24th, \$12.85

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.

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JHC



April 26, 1917.

SUBJECT: Deposits.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

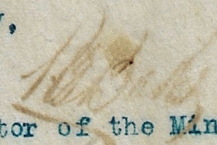
Sir:

I am enclosing herewith letter received from Mrs. P. J. Watson, of Lone, California; also memorandum covering a deposit made by her on April 16, 1917.

She seems to think that she has been underpaid on this deposit, but it would appear from her letter and this memorandum that the difference is between the weight as she found it and the weight as found by the Mint.

Will you please cause the weights to be rechecked and report the facts to this office as soon as possible.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

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Enclosures.



April 27, 1917.

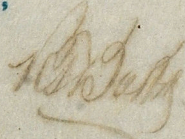
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith authority for you to advertise for proposals for furnishing your Mint with supplies for the fiscal year 1918.

Will you please advise me of your opinion in regard to entering freely into contract for supplies during the coming fiscal year.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.



April 27, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

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Enclosure.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

NIGHT MESSAGE.

Washington, April 27, 1917

Superintendent Mint,	San Francisco,	Cal.
"	"	Philadelphia, Pa.
"	"	Denver, Colo.
"	Assay Office,	New York City.
Assayer in Charge,	Mint,	New Orleans, La.
"	"	Carson, Nev.
"	Assay Office,	Seattle, Wash.
"	"	Helena, Montana.
"	"	Deadwood, S. D.
"	"	Boise, Idaho.
"	"	Salt Lake City, Ut.

Commencing April twenty-eighth pay for silver  
partings seventy-three cents fine ounce

Baker,

Director

BUSINESS.

PERCENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Contingent expenses, Mint Bureau, 1917.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212B



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



Washington,

NIGHT MESSAGE

April 27, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Bureau will invite bids Monday thirtieth on delivery  
of Mint two hundred thousand ounces fine silver. Invite bids  
verbally and wire lowest bid.

Baker  
Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917

UNIT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128



April 30, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold; and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assay.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Enclosure.



April 30, 1917.

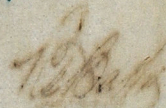
Sir:

Will you please forward to the Superintendent of the Denver Mint, at your earliest convenience, the following information. Please mail the letter direct to the Superintendent, sending a copy to the Bureau for file:-

A table showing separately the loss in melting, during the nine months of the current fiscal year, per 1,000 ounces of condemned silver coin delivered by the coiner to the melter and refiner, and also the loss per 1,000 ounces of mutilated ~~and~~ and uncurrent coin as received from the subtreasuries.

The information is needed in connection with an investigation being made at Denver, and I shall appreciate your early cooperation.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



ATTN:

Washington,

NIGHT MESSAGE

April 30, 1917.

Superintendent Mint  
San Francisco, Cal.

Accept from American Smelting Refining Company  
one hundred thousand ounces silver purchased today. Pay  
at seven seven seven five fine ounce.

Baker

Director.

BUSINESS,  
MINT RATES.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2132.



May 1, 1917.


Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

On April 13th I requested that, as soon as you had accumulated a balance of approximately \$500,000.00 in half dollars, you proceed to the coinage of quarter dollars and dimes, favoring the latter coin.

It is noted that you are now operating on minor coin, which, I presume, is necessary for you to accumulate funds in your minor coinage metal fund. As soon as you accumulate an amount sufficient to settle for metal which you have purchased, please proceed to the coinage of dimes, instead of quarter dollars and dimes as instructed on the 13th ultimo.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

FHC-W



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 1, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Authorized to accommodate Selby.

Baker

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

BUSINESS.  
PAYMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



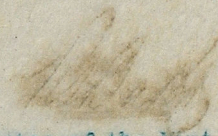
May 8, 1917.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

In accordance with your recommendation of the  
26th ultimo you are hereby authorized to invite bids  
and purchase from the lowest bidder the furniture  
needed for the proper equipment of your institution.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



TEN:

Washington,

NIGHT MESSAGE.

May 2, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Authorized to invite bids and order  
wire grill for gold certificate bar vault.

Baker

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

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RATES,

DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



, May 2, 1917.

SUBJECT: Printing of Record Book.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

I return herewith sample sheet of Coiner's Cash Account, Form 927,  
with the request that you will furnish an explanation of the denomination  
written on the first leaf of the sample referred to.

I have inserted the number of leaves, viz.: 200, as suitable for a  
book of the proposed size ( $8 \times 10\frac{1}{2}$ ), which, as you will observe, can  
readily be reduced from  $8\frac{1}{2} \times 14$  inches.

Please examine the printed headings carefully before returning the  
sample with your reply.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

(Enclosure)

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



Washington,

May 2, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Withhold payment for deposit of bullion recently made

Joe Nix. Letter follows.

Baker

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

ATTENTION.  
PAYEE.  
BY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122



May 3, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.

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WPD-2

Enclosure.



May 3, 1937.  
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:


The following telegram, sent you on the 2nd instant  
is hereby confirmed:

"Withhold payment for deposit of bullion  
recently made by Joe Nona. Letter follows."

The telegram was sent at the request of the Assistant  
Attorney General, Department of Justice, in response to  
a telegram received from the United States Attorney at  
Cheyenne, Wyoming.

It is understood that the bullion in question was  
stolen, and that the depositor is under arrest. Please  
hold the bullion for instructions from the United States  
Attorney. You are also authorized to cooperate with  
Mr. Moffett, the representative of the Secret Service  
in your city, in regard to the case in question.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

NIGHT MESSAGE.

Washington,

May 4, 1917.

Philadelphia, Pa.  
San Francisco, Cal.  
Denver, Colorado.  
New Orleans, La.  
Carson, Nevada.  
Pay Office, Seattle, Wash.  
" Boise, Idaho  
" Helena, Mont.  
" Deadwood, S. D.  
" Salt Lake, Utah.  
" New York City.

Beginning Saturday, May fifth pay seventy-five cents for

fine silver.

Baker

Director.

BUSINESS.

MINIMUM RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

Night Message.

May 5, 1917.

Superintendent, Mint, San Francisco, Cal.

Have decided upon June sixth to begin ~~year~~ all  
settlements. ~~May I count on Hawkins for Philadelphia.~~

Baker

Director

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1917.

BUSINESS.

INTEREST RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR:

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212.



May 7, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

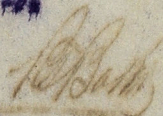
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.

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Enclosure.



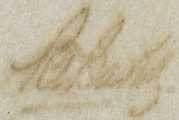
May 7, 1917

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st instant showing the shipments of coin for the month of April. As this information is also given in your cashier's daily statement, it will be unnecessary to continue sending the monthly statement.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.

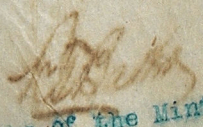


May 7, 1917

Superintendent Mint U.S.,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Examination of schedules of gold bars weighed during the settlement of the San Francisco Mint for some years back disclose the fact that it is customary for you list each certificate bar separately. I desire that the settlements this year be expedited as much as possible, and it would be a great saving in time and labor to have certificate bars listed and weighed by melts. Can you not arrange to have the bars so listed? If the lists have been prepared as heretofore, the bars comprising each melt may be added together so that one weighing will be sufficient for each melt instead of each bar included in the melt. The footings of each melt may be shown to the right or left of the last bar contained in each melt.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN: MINT BUREAU.

Washington, May 7, 1917.

## BIGHT MESSAGE.

Superintendent, Mint,	Philadelphia, Pa.
"	San Francisco, Cal.
"	Denver, Colo.
"	Assay Office, New York, NY.
Mayor in Charge, Assay Office,	Seattle, Washn.
"	Helena, Mont.
"	Boise, Idaho.
"	Salt Lake City, Utah.
"	Deadwood, South Dakota.
"	New Orleans, La.
"	Carson City, Nevada.

Commencing May eighth, pay for silver partings at rate of

PAKER

Twenty five cents per ounce.

Director.

SPECIAL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1917.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212B.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

NIGHT MESSAGE.

May 7, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Accept from American Smelting Refining Company

one hundred thousand ounces silver at seventy-seven seventy-five.

Baker

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

BUSINESS.  
PAYMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN: MINT BUREAU.

NIGHT MESSAGE.

Washington, May 8, 1917.

Assistant, Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.  
 " San Francisco, Cal.  
 " Denver, Colo.  
 Assay Office, New York City.  
 in Charge, Mint, New Orleans, La.  
 " Carson City, Nevada.  
 " Assay Office, Deadwood, South Dakota.  
 " Helena, Montana.  
 " Boise City, Idaho.  
 " Salt Lake City, Utah.  
 " Seattle, Wash'n.

Commencing May ninth, pay for silver partings at rate of

four cents per ounce.

BAKER,

Director.

BUSINESS.

2233 MINT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payment must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 5125



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



REWRITTEN: MINT BUREAU.

Washington, May 9, 1917.

Superintendent, Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Ignore telegram seventh to pay seventy five cents silver.

BAKER,

Director.

BUSINESS.

INTEREST RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1917.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212B.



, May 9, 1917.

Requisition for Records and Forms.

Assistant, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Referring to your requisition of April 19th, I would state the supplies ordered therein have either been shipped to your mint or are now in hands of the Public Printer, with the following exceptions:

- 574, - Monthly report of unpaid warrants 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  X 7; abolished for the reason that only one sheet is used monthly and 100 copies as requested would last eight years. They can be prepared on a typewriter machine.
- 761, - Receipt for clipping; abolished; 2,000 copies of Form 867 have been shipped you in place of the above-named Form and Form 262, also abolished.
- 834, - Coiner's Silver Ledger; abolished; Form 594 takes its place, two copies of which will be furnished you.
- 927, - Coiner's Cash Account; abolished.
- 81 D, - Computing Book. Your requisition calls for 25 copies, while the sample furnished shows that you have that number on hand - (see Bureau letter of Oct. 26, 1916 and also your reply of Nov. 1, 1916). When Mr. Hawkins was here it was understood that he would take up the matter upon his return, and order blank books from the printed schedule (Form 2140).
- 27, - Same as the above.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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Enclosure.



May 10, 1917.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The usual formal inquiry, made from time to time by the Secretary's Office, as to the sufficiency of the bonds given by our employees, is now before me.

George V. Maher, Helper, San Francisco Mint in 1913, gave a bond of \$2,000. Since that time Mr. Maher has been made Foreman of Weighing and Adjusting Room.

Will you please advise me if, in your opinion, the amount of Mr. Maher's bond is sufficient.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.



May 10, 1917.

Dear Shanahan:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th ultimo, relative to the settlement and the personnel of the same.

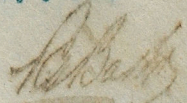
I appreciate very much your willingness to spare Mr. Hawkins for duty as Chairman of the Philadelphia Settlement, and I shall be glad to have the benefit of his experience and thoroughness in this work.

Owing to the condition of the fund at our disposal for expenses of the examinations of the Mints, it will be necessary for us to postpone the two eastern settlements until June 11th. The settlement at your Mint, and that at Denver, I would like to have started on the 6th of June, as stated in my letter of May 5th. I trust it will be possible for you to be ready at that date.

Will you please advise Mr. Hawkins of the change in the date from that originally determined upon, in order that he may make arrangements accordingly.

With kind personal regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

  
Director of the Mint.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Night Message

Washington,

May 11, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Authorized to appoint White and Macarthy.

Baker

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

the appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122.

2-6827





May 12, 1917.

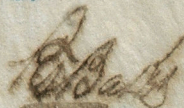
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Replying to your telegram of the 10th instant reporting a difference in telegram from this office and the copy confirming the same, I beg to say that the confirmation copy was mailed to you just previous to the receipt of your letter of April 30th. The telegram itself had not been sent out from the telegraph office and was recalled in time to have the inquiry relative to Mr. Hawkins removed from the message.

As your letter of the thirtieth was at hand, no further message was looked for from you and this office was in no way inconvenienced. I wrote you on the 10th relative to the date of settlement at the different institutions, and take pleasure in repeating my gratification at having Mr. Hawkins come east.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.



May 14, 191&.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.

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FPD-W

Enclosure.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

Night Message.

May 14, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Bureau will invite bids Wednesday sixteenth on delivery  
two hundred thousand ounces silver your Mint. Invite bids locally  
wire synopsis.

Baker  
Director.

MAIL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122.

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May 14, 1917.

Subject - Accounts.

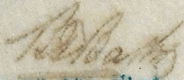
Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

By certificate of deposit No. 5685 dated  
May 2, 1917, there has been deposited to your credit  
and to the credit of the appropriations indicated  
below the sum of \$4,260 on account of cost of manu-  
facturing coin for the Philippine Government:

Wages of Workmen, Mint at San Francisco, 1917 -	\$2,840
Contingent Expenses, do -	1,420

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

*Handwritten initials*



May 14, 1917.

Subject - Advance of funds.


Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds to  
meet the expenses of that institution during the fiscal  
year 1917 has been approved in sums as follows:

Wages of workmen - - - - -	\$6,000
Contingent Expenses - - - - -	<u>4,000</u>
	\$10,000

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.





May 15, 1917.


Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith transportation orders, signed in blank, covering travel of Mr. Hawkins on account of the annual settlement of the Mint at Philadelphia which is to begin on June 11th.

Will you please deliver the enclosures to Mr. Hawkins, and instruct him to come to Philadelphia by way of Washington. The usual formal letter of authority will be sent to Mr. Leech later.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.

Enclosures.

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May 16, 1917.

Subject - Accounts.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

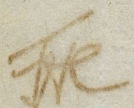
Bill of the Philadelphia Mint for automatic weighing machine furnished you in December last has been forwarded to the Auditor for settlement, chargeable to your contingent appropriation for the fiscal year 1916 in the sum of \$3,392.73.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

BE WRITTEN:

NIGHT MESSAGE.

Washington,



May 16, 1917.

Superintendent Mint  
San Francisco, Cal.

Accept from Zimmermann Forshay seventy-five  
thousand ounces silver purchased today at seven seven three eight  
fine ounce.

Baker  
Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

BUSINESS.  
MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

Washington,

May 16, 1917.



Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

You are authorized to accept Angle London Paris  
National Bank's offer silver.

Baker

Director.

BUSINESS.  
MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2108.



May 16, 1917.

Subject - Accounts.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Bills of Wells Fargo & Co. Express for transportation have been forwarded to the Auditor for settlement, chargeable to your current contingent appropriation as follows:

Platinum to New York Feb. 27th - - - - -	\$8.66
Dice from Phila. March 24th - - - - -	1.86

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.

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May 17, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

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FED-W

Enclosure.



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May 12, 1917.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

This is the last set of a long series and I would thank you to return the report as soon as convenient so that the Bureau Assayer may tabulate the results before he goes to settlement.

Respectfully,

*F. N. C.*  
Acting Director of the Mint.

FRD.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 21, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Can you spare man to assist Dewey at Denver settlement  
beginning June sixth. If so wire name.

Baker

Director.

Cent. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

BUSINESS.

MINIMUM RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2102.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



RE WRITTEN:

Night message.

Washington,

May 22, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Find that we will not require services of Pack:

Thanks for offering to help us out.

Baker

Director.

Cogt. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

AL BUSINESS.

VERNMENT RATES.

RE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

RE WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 23, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Accept uncirculated United States gold coin in  
payment for bars. If circulated United States gold coin ~~or~~ or foreign  
gold coin is offered for exchange in fine bars coin must be melted  
and assayed to determine value.

Baker  
Director.



Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

AL BUSINESS,  
VERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122.



May 23, 1917.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

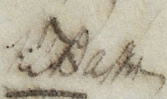
Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th instant enclosing a letter from J. H. Ponte relative to platinum.

There is no fund at the disposal of the institutions of the mint service for the purchase of platinum. We are holding all platinum recovered in the refineries, as you know, that the metal may be used for the purposes of the Government if required.

I do not know of any branch of the Government service which is making purchases of platinum metal.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.



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# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



Washington,

May 24, 1917.

Superintendent Mint  
San Francisco, Cal.

Until further advised request purchasers  
of gold to deposit gold or its equivalent with Assistant Treasurer  
for certificate of deposit which you will honor treating transaction  
as transfer of funds. You to collect mint charges in cash.

Baker  
Director.

AL BUSINESS.

VERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Cent. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN:

Night message.

Washington,

May 25, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Accept from American Smelting & Refining Company two hundred thousand ounces ~~in~~ fine silver rate of seven six five fine ounce and one hundred thousand ounces at same rate from United States Smelting Company, purchased today.

*R. A. [Signature]*  
Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

SPECIAL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

U.S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



BE WRITTEN:

Washington,

May 25, 1917.

Angol London Paris National Bank

San Francisco, Cal.

Purchased today three hundred thousand ounces silver  
San Francisco delivery seven six five per fine ounce. Two hundred thousand  
ounces Philadelphia delivery seven five two five.

*Bohn*

Director Mint.

Collect.

BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



May 28, 1917.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th instant relative to the value of special assay coins forwarded by you to this Office.

The Assayer of the Bureau has reviewed his account and finds that you are correct in your statement that there is 20 cent due you on this valuation. This amount will be added to the value of the coins credited to you in the next settlement of the Assayer of this Bureau for assay coins.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

NIGHT MESSAGE.

Washington,

May 31, 1917.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Authorized to adjust positions of Ragland and Schmierer  
as indicated by telegram.

*Director*  
Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122.



May 31, 1917.

Subject - Accounts.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Herewith find deposit certificate No. 62 with supporting receipt for bullion; the certificate requires the signatures of the Superintendent, the Assayer, and the payee. Deposit certificate No. 3936 with supporting receipt for bullion is also enclosed, the certificate apparently requiring the signature of John W. Parker either for himself or as representing Castagnetto & Mattencci. Deposit certificate No. 4516, which is enclosed with supporting receipt for bullion, apparently should be receipted in the name of the American National Bank, by DeGries; or, if title to the deposit passed to DeGries he should have signed the receipt for bullion as final endorser.

If the convenience of the Mint would not be disturbed it would be satisfactory to this office if, in the case of deposits consisting of several bars, such as No. 4548 of last quarter, the fine weight of the several bars were bracketed and both the gross and net values stated as single items the same as has been done with the charges.

Items being shown on the bullion account current as prepaid bullion should not be so shown, since the bullion is in the account as a regular deposit; so long as there is taken into the account current bullion the value of which is not known at the close of the accounting period, any advances made thereon during the accounting period cease to be advances when the account is rendered. Please show the advanced payments in such cases as deductions from the amount declared by present practice as unpaid deposits.

May I again request that recapitulation sheet of the quarter's deposits be so prepared as to permit checking of the items to the account current without making adjustments in this office - special reference for the March quarter is made to the necessity of making an adjustment of 26.03 oz. silver valued at \$18.22, between the silver deposited for bars and the silver purchased, and to the inclusion of the D.M.R. sweeps bar with the regular deposits total.



On February voucher No. 48 in favor of the Postal Telegraph-Cable Co. message of Jan. 13th, 28 words, is charged for at the day rate; should be at the night rate; overcharge 18%.

On February absence and efficiency report the absence of Geo. McLaughlin and A. R. Oliver was reported as without pay; per individual vouchers in favor of these men the absence was on account of sickness; should the absence report be corrected.

With reference to the vouchers which are prepared for the purpose of reimbursing the messenger for amounts expended for postage and carfare (evidently moneys advanced by him for Government use), wish to say that it is a well established accounting principle, embodied in Treasury regulations, that vouchers must be stated in the name of the person or firm rendering services or furnishing supplies. The use of an intermediary is looked upon with general disfavor, regardless of the amount involved. It is the general practice in the Government service, including the Mint service, to purchase stamps in moderate quantities on vouchers in favor of the Postmaster. Cartickets are purchased on vouchers in favor of the traction company, it being the practice of traction companies to provide tickets to meet the needs of those who wish them for issue to employees and for other purposes. Unless there is good reason to the contrary it is desired that the San Francisco Mint be brought into line with the general Government practice, eliminating the use of an intermediary in settling for purchases made on Government account.

Return of enclosures at an early date is requested.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

Night message.

June 2, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Authorized to employ Shannon temporary watchman.

*R. A. [Signature]*  
Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

AL BUSINESS.

VERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

NIGHT MESSAGE.

June 4, 1917.

Superintendent, Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Bureau inviting proposals Wednesday  
June sixth two hundred thousand ounces fine silver your Mint.  
Invite bids locally. Wire synopsis.

*Barber*  
Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

BU SINESS.  
ERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



June 5, 1917.

Subject - Coin for melting.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Please forward promptly, as previously requested, monthly statement of the face value of gold and silver United States coin received for melting. Our records do not show that statement for the month of April has as yet been received.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



June 4, 1917.


Superintendent. U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 29th ultimo  
you are authorized to call for bids and purchase  
from the lowest bidders the following articles,  
it being understood that the orders will not be  
placed unless funds are available from the con-  
tingent appropriation of your Mint:-

One internal grinding machine with motor.  
One #2 Fay-Egan concentric slide.  
One small lathe with motor  
One Universal drafting machine  
One lot drafting instruments  
One electric grinder.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.



June 6, 1917.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.


Sir:

On August 14th, 1917, your bond as Superintendent of the Mint at San Francisco will have been in effect four years, and a renewal bond will be due.

In order to avoid the necessity of closing your accounts under your present bond during August I have to-day requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause to be prepared and sent to you a blank form of bond to be executed by you and returned to the Department in time to have the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury attached July 1st.

I trust this will not cause you any inconvenience and that it will be practicable for you to arrange the matter satisfactorily with your bonding company.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



June 9, 1917.

Subject - Accounts.


Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

By certificate of deposit No. 6464 dated May 31, 1917, there has been deposited to your credit the sum of \$7,780.80 on account of expenses of manufacturing Philippine coin. The amount has been placed to the credit of your appropriations as below:

Wages of Workmen, Mint at San Francisco, 1917	- -	\$5,187.20
Contingent Expenses,	do	- - 2,593.60

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



June 13, 1917.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,

San Francisco, Cal.

Sir: -

With reference to the 5% and 10% increase in compensation provided by Congress for certain employees for the fiscal year beginning July 1st. next, you are advised that the Comptroller of the Treasury has recently rendered decisions pertaining thereto, of which the following is the gist:

"Under the provision of the law the rate and not the amount of compensation is made the determining factor as to whether or at what rate the increase is to paid, and a per annum rate is made the basis.

A salary at the rate of \$1,200 per annum is equivalent to \$100 per month and \$3.33 1/3 per day, and a salary at the rate of \$1,800 per annum is equivalent to \$150 per month and \$5 per day. Therefore, in determining a per diem employee's right to the increase it is these per diem rates that are to be considered and not the amount of annual compensation that he may receive at the rate paid to him.

The number of days that he may work during the year and the overtime work do not affect the question.

If a per diem employee of the class referred to in the above quoted law receives compensation at a rate less than \$3.33 1/3 per day, he will be entitled to the 10 per cent increase; for instance, if his rate of compensation is \$3.30 per day, he will be entitled to an increase of 33 cents for each day's work performed, regardless of whether he may work 365 days or only 200 days during the year; likewise if his rate of compensation is not less than \$3.33 1/3 per day and not more than \$5 per day, he will be entitled to the 5 per cent increase; and if his rate of compensation is more than \$5 per day, he will not be entitled to any increase, even though the total compensation received by him during the year does not exceed \$1,800.

The increase will be allowed on overtime work as well as on regular work, provided the rate paid for overtime work on an eight-hour basis is not more than \$5 per day.



A person engaged for a particular work or job, or by the day, for a brief period only, is not an employee within the meaning of the provision and is not entitled to a percentage increase on this agreed rate of compensation."

New payroll forms are in the hands of the printer and will be forwarded to you for use, beginning July 1st., as soon as available.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.



June 13, 1917.

SUBJECT: Advance of funds.

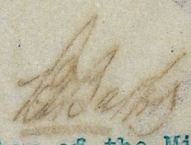
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:-

Requisition for advance to you of funds to meet the expenses of that office during the current fiscal year, has been approved in sums as follows:

Salaries, - - - - -	\$2,100.00
Wages of Workmen - - - - -	5,000.00
Contingent Expenses - - - - -	5,000.00
	<u>\$12,100.00</u>

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



June 16, 1917.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Bills of the Philadelphia Mint, as follows,  
have been forwarded to the Auditor for settlement,  
chargeable to your current contingent appropriation:

Coin collars received by you Dec. 15, 1916 and Feb. 12, 1917 - - - - -	\$175.44
Cutters, etc., ordered by you Feb. 16, 1917 -	59.88
Automatic feeds and tubes received by you May 1, 1917 - - - - -	222.73

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

Night Message.

June 18, 1917.

Comptroller Mint,

San Francisco, Cal.

May twenty-fourth United States Smelting Company  
silver  
seventy six one half cents ounce nine ninety nine fine/instead  
one thousand fine through misunderstanding their part. Please  
on basis nine ninety nine fine.

O'Reilly

Acting Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

MESS.  
RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 112



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



PRE WRITTEN:

NIGHT MESSAGE

Washington,

June 18, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Appointment Steele watchman nine hundred approved.

*O. R. Kelly*  
Acting Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR .....  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 1128.

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June 18, 1917.

Subject - Accounts.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Bills as below have been forwarded to the  
Auditor for settlement, chargeable to your current  
contingent appropriation:

Wells Fargo & Co., dies from Philadelphia Apr. 9th,  
and Apr. 13th, May 15th and 16th, and feeds  
and tubes from Phila. April 25th - - - - - \$22.86

Philadelphia Mint, fire mitts per your order No. 166,  
\$67.87; and asbestos mitts per your orders Nos.  
90 and 166, \$362.52; total \$430.39.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,

Director of the Mint,

By

Acting Director.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

Night Message.

June 19, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Authorized to sell sweeps to highest bidder.

O'Reilly

Acting Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

AL BUSINESS.

VERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122



June 20, 1917.

Subject - Accounts.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

With reference to letter of this office dated March 27, 1917, you are advised that bill of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Co. for transportation of stationery from Washington has been settled by the Auditor in the sum of \$2.70, instead of \$3.01 as rendered.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,

Director of the Mint,

By

*M. M. O'Reilly*  
Acting Director.

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June 20, 1917.

Subject - Accounts.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

By certificate of deposit Number 6835 there has been deposited to your credit the sum of \$4,864.36 on account of manufacture of Philippine coin. The C/D is dated June 16, 1917. The amount has been placed to the credit of your appropriations as follows:

Wages of Workmen, 1917	\$3,242.91
Contingent Expenses, 1917	1,621.45

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,

Director of the Mint.

By

*M. M. O'Reilly*  
Acting Director.

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June 20, 1917.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Referring to telegram from this Office dated June 18, relative to purchase of silver made on the 24th ultimo, I beg to say that a subsequent purchase of 200,000 ounces was made from the United States Smelting Company, (June 6th, 1917,) at the rate of 77 cents per ounce. The same misunderstanding on the part of the Company existed when this bid was made, and you are authorized to make payment for the purchase of the 6th instant on the basis of 999 fine silver, instead of 1000 fine.

The Company has been informed that future bids must be based upon silver 1000 fine.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,

Director of the Mint

By

*M. M. O'Reilly*  
Acting Director.



**TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.**

RE WRITTEN:

Washington,



June 21, 1917.

Superintendent Mint

San Francisco, Cal.

Have you replied Bureau letter May thirtyone  
concerning your accounts for March quarter.

O'Reilly

Acting Director.

Cent. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

RECEIVED  
TREASURY DEPARTMENT

APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2129.



June 21, 1917.

Subject - Accounts.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Bill of Wells Fargo & Co. Express for transportation of dies from Philadelphia March 21st last has been forwarded to the Auditor for settlement, chargeable to your current contingent appropriation in the sum of \$13.48.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,

Director of the Mint,

By

Acting Director.



June 22, 1917.

Subject - Advance of funds.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds in  
the amount of \$1,500 has been approved, to meet the  
expenses of that institution during the fiscal year  
1917, on account of the appropriation Wages of Workmen,  
Mint at San Francisco, 1917.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,

Director of the Mint,

By

*M. M. O'Reilly*

Acting Director.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN:

~~NIGHT MESSAGE~~

Washington,

June 26, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Jonathan Bartley bid graphite goods four thousand eight hundred eleven dollars, f.o. b. Trenton. Freight approximately three hundred dollars. Delivery entire order in six or seven weeks.

O'Reilly,  
Acting Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123.

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UNWRITTEN:  
WASHINGTON  
RECEIVED  
JUN 26 1917  
TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

Washington,



Flight message.

June 26, 1917.

W. H. Chaffin

C/. Mint, San Francisco, Cal.

Our fund will be sufficient to allow for return  
tickets. Advise Wilson and Voght.

O'Reilly

Acting Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 512a.



June 28, 1917.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:-

You are advised that the usual \$200  
(two hundred dollars) will be transferred from  
your Contingent appropriation to that of Contingent  
Expenses, Treasury Department, for stationery, for  
the fiscal year 1918.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,

Director of the Mint.

By,

*M. W. C. Baker*  
Acting Director.



June 29, 1917.

Superintendent U.S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

With reference to letter of this office,  
dated April 24th, 1917, you are advised that the  
Auditor has settled the account of the Pennsylvania  
R.R. Company for transportation of cancelled dies  
to the Philadelphia Mint, in the sum of \$12.87  
instead of \$19.29, the difference \$6.42 being dis-  
allowed.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,

By,

Acting Director.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington,



June 30, 1917.

Hon. R. T. Baker

Mint, San Francisco, Cal.

Quarter Dollar bill passed yesterday. Goes to President  
to-day.

O'Reilly

Acting Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

UNLESS.

MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



**TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.**

WRITTEN:

Washington,

June 29, 1917.



*Confirmation*  
Intendant Mint  
San Francisco, Cal.

Placing order tonight with Navy Department  
for tons electrolytic copper your Mint on this year's contingent  
mt. Advise you later of rate which is lower than that obtained by  
Copper now on hand at Navy yard San Francisco. Have quality determined  
sure it is suitable and wire me tomorrow.

O'Reilly  
Acting Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

BUSINESS.  
MINT RATES.

NAVY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 4111



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



Washington,

June 20, 1917.

*Confirmation*

Comptroller Mint

San Francisco, Cal.

In cooperation with settlement committee

release of gold bars to fill Treasurer's transfer orders.

O'Reilly

Acting Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

MESS.  
NT RATES.

RY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



July 2, 1917.

Subject - Advance of funds.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds to meet  
the expenses of that institution has been approved in  
sums as follows;

Wages of workmen, Mint at San Francisco,	1917	- -	\$ 2,000
Contingent Expenses,	do	1917	- - 7,000
Salaries,	do	1918	- - 7,000
Wages of workmen,	do	1918	- - 20,000
Contingent Expenses	do	1918	- - 5,000
Increase of Compensation, Treasury Dept.	1918	- -	<u>1,500</u>
			\$42,500

Additional funds will be advanced under the 1917  
Contingent appropriation after the amount deposited under  
your old bond has been credited on the books of the Treasury.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker, Director of the Mint,

By

*M. M. O'Reilly*  
Acting Director.



, July 3, 1917.

RE: Blank Index Book.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

In reply to your letter of 27th ultimo, relative to an index  
Record of Deposits by Mail and Express, form 730, I have to  
state that I have requested that the same be prepared by the Pub-  
lic Printer and it will be forwarded to you as early as practica-

When making similar requisitions in future, please indicate  
number of leaves desired for each letter of the alphabet.

Respectfully,

R. T. BAKER,

Director of the Mint.

By

W. M. O'Connell  
Acting Director.



July 5, 1917.

Superintendent U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

In view of the greater convenience of payroll periods that coincide with the calendar months, and of the fact that but little if any overtime is now being made, it will be satisfactory to this office if payrolls are prepared for semi-monthly periods corresponding to the calendar months so long as completed correct rolls for such periods can be prepared before payment.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,

Director of the Mint,

By,

*M. M. O'Reilly*  
Acting Director of the Mint.

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July 6, 1917.

Subject - Advance of funds.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

With reference to letter of this office of the 2d instant you are advised that in order to avoid further delay in placing money to your credit on the books of the Treasury the item for Contingent Expenses, 1917, has been reduced \$300, to \$6,700, and the item for Contingent Expenses, 1918, has been increased by a like amount, to \$6,300.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,

Director of the Mint,

By

*M. M. O'Reilly*  
Acting Director.

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# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Night message

Washington,

July 9, 1917.

Attendant Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.  
 " " San Francisco Cal.  
 " " Denver, Colorado.  
 " Assay Office, New York, N. Y.  
 in Charge, Mint, New Orleans, La.  
 " Mint, Carson, Nevada.  
 " Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.  
 " " " Helena, Mont.  
 " " " Boise, Idaho.  
 " " " Deadwood, S. D.  
 " " " Salt Lake, Utah.

Beginning Tuesday July tenth pay seventy-eight cents  
 ounce silver partings.

O'Reilly

Acting Director

MESS.  
 ENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Night Message.

Washington,

July 9, 1917.



Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Receive from International Nickel Company  
ten tons nickel. Pay decimal four three seven pound.

O'Reilly

Acting Director

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.

BUSINESS.  
ESTABLISHMENT RATES.  
TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington,



July 10, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Demands for coinage from your Mint will absorb  
practically all fine silver available. Impracticable for you to accept  
from Anglo Bank at this time for exchange in fine bars.

O'Reilly

Acting Director.

Cent. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



July 10, 1917.

Superintendent U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Bill of the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe R.R.  
Company for transportation of stirrers from Jersey City  
in February 1917, has been forwarded to the Auditor for  
settlement, chargeable to your 1917 Contingent Approp-  
riation in the sum of \$23.58.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,

Director of the Mint,

By,

*M. M. O'Reilly*  
Acting Director of the Mint.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



BE WRITTEN:

Washington,

July 10, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Due to ambiguous wording your telegram nickel  
was ordered. ~~xxx~~ Impracticable to recall order now.

Otc

O'Reilly

Acting Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.

AL BUSINESS.  
ERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212a.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

RE WRITTEN:

Night Message.

Washington,

July 10, 1917.



Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

New payroll forms not received from  
printer. Use old forms adapting same per explanation Bureau  
letter June twenty.

O'Reilly  
Acting Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.

AL BUSINESS.  
ERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,



Superintendent Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.  
 " " San Francisco, Cal.  
 " " Denver, Colorado.  
 Assay Office, New York, N. Y.  
 Assayer in Charge, ~~Mint~~ Mint, Carson, Nevada.  
 " " Mint, New Orleans, La.  
 " " Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.  
 " " " " Helena, Mont.  
 " " " " Boise, Idaho  
 " " " " Deadwood, S. D.  
 " " " " Salt Lake, Utah.

July 12, 1917.

Beginning Friday July thirteenth pay seventy-nine cents  
 for silver partings.

O'Reilly  
 Acting Director.

AL BUSINESS.  
 GVERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on the back of this form. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2132.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Night message

Washington,



July 17-1917

Superintendent U.S.Mint,	Philadelphia, Pa.
"	" San Francisco, Cal.
"	" Denver, Colo.
Assayer in Charge, Mint,	Assay Office, New York City, N.Y.
"	" Carson City, Nevada.
"	" New Orleans, La.
"	Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
"	" Helena, Mon.
"	" Boise City, Idaho.
"	" Deadwood, S.D.
"	" Salt Lake, Utah.

Beginning July eighteenth pay eighty cents  
for silver partings.

O'Reilly,

Acting Director.

AL BUSINESS.  
VERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Conti. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

NIGHT MESSAGE

Washington,

July 17, 1917.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Accept from L. Vogelstein & Co. twenty four tons  
copper for U. S. and Philippine coinage at twenty nine and  
one half cents pound.

O'Reilly

Acting Director.



AL BUSINESS.  
VERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122



WRITTEN:  
TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

Washington,

July 20-1917.



Superintendent U.S. Mint,

San Francisco, Cal.

Insular Bureau requests substantial  
shipment pesetas, ten centavos and nickels on August  
transport. Please comply so far as practicable.

O'Reilly,

Acting Director.

ADDRESS.  
TELEGRAM RATES.  
TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Confirmation.

Washington,



Night message.

July 20-1917.

Superintendent Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.  
" " San Francisco, Cal.  
" " Denver, Colo.  
" Assay Office, New York, N.Y.  
Assayer in Charge, Mint, Carson City, Nevada.  
" " New Orleans, La.  
" Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.  
" " Helena, Mont.  
" " Boise City, Idaho.  
" " Deadwood, S. D.  
" " Salt Lake, Utah.

Beginning July twenty first pay seventy-eight cents for silver partings.

O'Reilly,

Acting Director.

BUSINESS,  
MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2129.



July 20-1917.

Superintendent U.S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Dies for the twenty-five cent piece with slight changes from the dies previously being used were forwarded to you from the Philadelphia Mint on the 18th. instant. Upon receipt of same use them to the exclusion of all other twenty-five cent coinage dies.

Give no publicity whatever to the fact that the dies have been changed in order to avoid any unnecessarily heavy demand for the new coin. Issue the coinage from the former dies before that from the new dies.

Changes in the dies were authorized by a recent act of Congress.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,

By. *M. M. O'Reilly*  
Acting Director.



July 24, 1917.

Subject - Accounts.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

By certificate of deposit No. 7575 dated  
July 7, 1917, there has been deposited to your credit  
the sum of \$12.63 on account of coin boxes sold to  
the Philippine Government. The amount has been placed  
to the credit of Miscellaneous Receipts.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,

Director of the Mint,

By

*J. H. Sullivan*  
Acting Director.



, July 24, 1917.

Subject: Supplies.

Comptroller, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

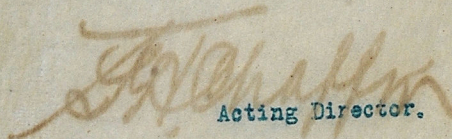
In compliance with your request of the 11th instant, I have today  
a requisition on the office of the Secretary of the Treasury for  
(6) lead-pencil sharpeners for use at your mint.

Respectfully,

R. T. BAKER,

Director of the Mint.

By

  
Acting Director.



, July 24, 1917.

SUBJECT: Mint Operations.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sr:

On the Coiner's statement of operations - Form 901 - it is noticed that he reports the fine weight of good gold coin produced at 60,382,080 ounces and silver at 2,826,013.86 ounces. He made during the fiscal year 1917, 2,200,000 in gold coin which, by calculation contains 58,050 fine ounces and, according to Form 193, he made \$3,903,000 in silver coin, weighing 626,039.15 fine ounces.

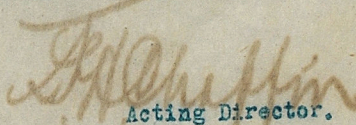
An explanation of these differences is desired.

Respectfully,

R. T. BAKER,

Director of the Mint.

By

  
Acting Director.



July 25, 1917.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Bill of Wells Fargo & Co. Express for transportation of dies from Philadelphia March 27, 1917, has been forwarded to the Auditor for settlement, chargeable to your 1917 contingent appropriation in the sum of \$4.07.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,

Director of the Mint,

By

*W. H. Coffey*  
Acting Director.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

July 28, 1917.

Superintendent U.S. Mint,

San Francisco, Cal.

Appointment of Brogan approved.

*Chaffin*  
Acting Director.

BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Expenses Mint Bureau 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



July 30, 1917.

Superintendent U.S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

It is observed that Forms 971 Transmittal Special Assay Coins have been executed on a type-writer using a record ribbon. As these reports are press copied in this Bureau it is necessary that they be typed in copying ink.

Will you not kindly have this matter corrected?

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,

By,

*F. Schaffin*  
Acting Director.



, August 1, 1917.

SUBJECT: Printed Forms and Record Books.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.  
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.  
Superintendent, U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Cal. ✓

Owing to the unusually heavy demands upon the Public Printer for all  
kinds of printing and bindery work, it is suggested that you will prepare  
and forward your requisition for printed forms and record books as early as  
conveniently can.

Ordinarily, your requisition would be filled within three months, but  
under present conditions it will take from four to five months and proba-  
bly longer, before the supplies may reach their destination.

Respectfully,

R. T. BAKER,

Director of the Mint.

By

Acting Director.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN: Confirmation.

Washington,

Night message.

August 2, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,	Philadelphia, Pa.
"	" San Francisco, Cal.
"	" Denver, Colo.
"	Assay Office, New York, N.Y.
Assayer in Charge, Mint,	Carson City, Nevada.
"	" New Orleans, La.
"	Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.
"	" Helena, Mon.
"	" Boise City, Idaho.
"	" Deadwood, S. D.
"	" Salt Lake, Utah.

Commencing August third pay for silver

partings seventy <sup>three</sup> ~~five~~ cents fine ounce.

*Baker*  
Director.

BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Contin. Expenses, Mint Bureau, 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,



August 3, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Appointment Haak watchman nine hundred approved.

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHANGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

August 3, 1917.

U.S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Have urged Gautier hurry shipment dippers also  
ordered twenty three dippers shipped you from Helena  
expense packing and freight.

Baker,  
Director.

*JB*

BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Contin. Expenses, Mint Bureau.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



August 3, 1917.

Superintendent U.S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:


Complying with your telegram of the 2nd instant, I have wired Gautier to hasten the shipment of the three hundred dippers #3 and one hundred dippers #2 ordered for you on March 31st.

Shipment of these goods was promised by Gautier within three to four weeks from the date of the order.

As the Assay Office at Helena has on hand twenty three dipping cups not needed there, I wired the Assayer in Charge to have them packed and shipped to you as soon as possible and to bill on you for any expenses incurred in the packing of same.

While these dippers may be a little larger than the ones ordered by you, I hope you may be able to use them.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



ATTENTION: Night message

Washington,

Aug. 3, 1917.

U.S. Mint  
San Francisco, Cal.

Gautier says ship one hundred number three  
dippers at once, balance order about ten days. Have  
wired Helena forward you few dippers on hand there.

*Barber*  
Director.

EXPENSES.  
RATES.  
DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION FOR Contin. Expenses Mint Bureau 1918  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

Aug. 3, 1917.

U.S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Treasurer will transfer gold order to  
Assistant Treasurer there. Co-operate with him  
in packing. Furnish boxes.

*Baker*  
Director.

BUSINESS.  
REMITTANCE RATES.  
TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Contin. Expenses Mint Bureau 1918.  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



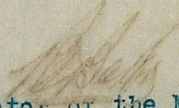
August 6, 1917.

Superintendent U.S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I am in receipt of envelopes,  
containing three 10-centavo pieces from  
Delivery #17 and three 20-centavo pieces  
from Delivery #18 dated July 30., but did  
not find enclosed with these coins Form  
971. Will you please forward this form  
for my receipt?

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



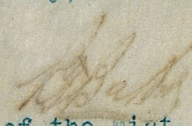
August 7, 1917.

Superintendent U.S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I will thank you if you will advise  
me whether you have in stock a 3 H.P. motor  
which can be spared for Carson City, Nevada.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



August 7, 1917.

SUBJECT: Coinage.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Please inform me by return mail, if any United States uncurrent gold coins were used in your reported gold coinage during the fiscal year 1917 and, if so, how much, in fine ounces.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

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# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Night message

Washington,

August 7, 1917.

Superintendent, U.S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.  
" " San Francisco, Cal.  
" " Denver, Colorado.  
" Assay Office, New York, N.Y.  
Assayer in Charge, Mint, New Orleans, La.  
" " Carson City, Nev.  
" Assay Office, Helena, Mon.  
" " " Seattle, Wash.  
" " " Salt Lake, Utah.  
" " " Boise City, Idaho.  
" " " Deadwood, S. Dakota.

Commencing August eighth pay for silver  
partings eighty one cents per ounce.

Director

BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Contin. Expenses, Mint Bureau 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



August 8, 1917.

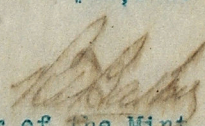
Superintendent U.S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Requisition for advance of funds  
to you to meet the expenses of your insti-  
tution has been approved in sums as follow:

Salaries-----	1918-	\$ 5,000.
Wages of Workmen----	1918-	15,000.
Contingent Expenses-	1918-	5,000.
Increase of compen- sation, Treas. Dept.	1918-	500.
		<u>\$25,500.</u>

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

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# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



ATTN:

Washington, August 9, 1917.

Light message.

Superintendent U.S. Mint,	San Francisco, Cal.
"	Philadelphia, Pa.
"	Denver, Colorado.
"	U.S. Assay Office, New York.
Assayer in Charge, U.S. Mint,	New Orleans, La.
"	Carson City, Nev.
"	U.S. Assay Office, Helena, Mon.
"	Seattle, Wash.
"	Salt Lake, Utah.
"	Boise City, Idaho.
"	Deadwood, S. Dakota.

Commencing August tenth pay for silver  
eighty two cents per ounce.

Baker,  
Director.

RE:

RATES.

DEPARTMENT.

APPROPRIATION FOR

Contin.

Expenses

Mint Bureau

1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122.



Aug. 13, 1917.

Subject - Accounts.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Please forward vouchers to support the quantity of copper, tin and zinc received during the quarter ended June 30th last for Philippine bronze coinage.

It is noted that none of the silver wastage of the fiscal year 1917 was charged to Philippine account, although a part of the minor wastage was so apportioned; explanation of the difference in procedure would be much appreciated.

It is also noted that the silver wastage was not actually reimbursed during the past quarter, although taken into the accounts as though reimbursed. While this item really constituted a receivable loss in operation on June 30th the accounts will be approved and forwarded to the Auditor as rendered.

Receipts from sale of Superintendent's sweeps, being a revenue which has no connection with the bullion fund, should in future be taken directly into the ordinary account instead of through the bullion account.

It is requested that on future bullion accounts current, under the head - Gold certificate and commercial bars: sold for cash - only the value of those bars for which cash is actually received by you be stated; and that a new line be inserted for the value of those bars for which the cash is deposited with the Sub-Treasury, viz.: "Sold for cash (cash transferred to Sub-Treasury)." This will avoid fictitious entries through the cash account and be in line with the practice at other institutions.

Please forward copy of Bureau's authority to purchase furniture covered by June voucher No. 43 and other related vouchers, as well as that for 2 remington typewriters covered by June voucher No. 83; the model number of typewriter should also be given, with length of writing line, any extras, etc., in order that price may be verified.



San Francisco.

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Aug. 13, 1917.

In order that we may be in position to answer any inquiries from the Auditor, information is requested as to the use to which the following materials were put:  
Quarter sawed oak, vouchers No. 37 May and 25 June;  
Finishing materials, voucher No. 16 May;  
Surfacing hard wood, voucher No. 51 April.

Affidavit accompanying voucher for payment of amount due F. A. Anderson, deceased, states that funeral expenses were not paid. Inasmuch as funeral expenses are almost universally a prior claim upon the estate of a deceased person the accounting officers of the Government require, before passing vouchers of this kind, evidence that they have been paid. Please forward such evidence to support the voucher in question, and note the requirement for future similar cases.

Please state the capacity in which John McNamara signs for the McNamara Glove Works, June voucher No. 31.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.




August 13, 1917.

Superintendent U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

This office will be pleased to  
receive any segregation by countries,  
of the amounts entered on form 637 against  
Central America for the quarter ended March  
31, 1917.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Night Message.

Washington,



August 14, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Is Ward to be made assistant foreman rolling room.  
Bureau  
If not advise exact position.

Baker  
Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

ESS.  
RATES.

DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Night message

Washington,

August 14, 1917.

Superintendent U.S. Mint,	Philadelphia, Pa.
"	" " San Francisco, Cal.
"	" " Denver, Colorado.
"	" " Assay Office, New York, N.Y.
Assayer in Charge U.S. Mint,	New Orleans, La.
"	" " Carson City, Nev.
"	" " U.S. Assay Office, Helena, Mon.
"	" " Seattle, Wash.
"	" " Salt Lake, Utah.
"	" " Boise City, Idaho.
"	" " Deadwood, S. Dakota.

Commencing Wednesday August fifteenth  
pay eighty three cents for silver partings.

Baker,

Director

BUSINESS.  
INMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Contin. Expenses Mint Bureau 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN: Night message.

Washington,



August 16, 1917.

Superintendent U.S. Mint,	Philadelphia, Pa.
"	" San Francisco, Cal.
"	" Denver, Colorado.
"	U.S. Assay Office, New York, N.Y.
Assayer in Charge, U.S. Mint,	New Orleans, La.
"	" Carson City, Nev.
"	U.S. Assay Office, Helena, Mon.
"	" Seattle, Wash.
"	" Salt Lake, Utah.
"	" Boise City, Idaho.
"	" Deadwood, S. Dakota.

Commencing August sixteenth pay for silver  
partings eighty six cents.

Baker,  
Director.

MESS,  
RECEIVED RATES.  
TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Contin. Expenses Mint Bureau 1918.  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line. DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122.



August 16, 1917.

Superintendent U.S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I have your letter of July 25th and beg to say that changes in your method of handling certificate and gold merchant bars as stated in said letter has my approval. I note, however, that you say "individual bars of melts to be weighed to the hundredth of an ounce only"- While the weight of individual bars will be stamped upon the bar to the hundredth only, you will find it necessary when making adjustments to know the weight of which individual bars of melts may, if necessary, be either raised or lowered one one hundredth of an ounce so that the total weights and values of the individual bars will agree with the weight and value of the entire melt. While individual bar weights shall be entered in the bar books to the one hundredth only you will find it helpful to indicate by minus or plus sign which bars will stand to be raised or lowered.



Aug. 16, 1917.

As far as practicable certificate bars should be treated and handled by melts, especially when listed for settlement. It is understood that the record of <sup>bars</sup> certificate/ now kept in your receiving room is a duplicate of a similar record kept by your abstract clerk and is never referred to.

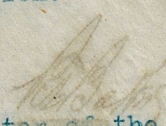
If that is true, it would appear that one record should serve both purposes and one should be eliminated- viz- the record kept in the receiving room. If you conclude after investigation that one of these records can be eliminated without removing any safe-guards or checks, you are authorized to make the change.

I have caused to be forwarded to you fifty paper backed books for Fine gold bars from the Assay Office at New York. Please advise how long they will last and make a requisition for a supply.

I find upon investigation that when several pages are required for entry of a melt, it is very helpful to adjust each page rather than one adjustment for the entire melt.

I shall be pleased to render any assistance or information desired in this connection.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

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Washington,

August 16, 1917.



Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Resumption of gold coinage at your Mint  
under consideration. Will advise you when department decides it  
expedient to start coinage.

*Baker*  
Baker

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 19188

BUSINESS,  
CURRENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.



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# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



Washington,

Night Message

August 20 1917

Superintendent	U.S.Mint,	Philadelphia, Pa.
"	"	San Francisco, Cal.
"	"	Denver, Colo.
"	U.S.Assay Office,	New York
Assayer In Charge,	U.S.Mint,	New Orleans, La.
"	U.S.Mint,	Carson Nev.
"	U.S. Assay Office,	Helena, Mt.
"	"	Boise, Ida.
"	"	Deadwood, S.D.
"	"	Seattle, Wash.
"	"	Salt Lake, Utah.

Commencing August twenty first pay for silver  
parings eighty seven cents fine ounce.

Baker,  
Director.

Contingent expenses Director of Mint.

BUSINESS.  
MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123.



August 25, 1917.

Dear Mr. Shanahan:

If present plans carry I hope to have the meeting of the Superintendents of our mints and the New York Assay Office take place at your Mint on September 12th. It has been determined to have the meeting at Denver take place on the return trip of the Superintendents who are to return east. I hope it will be convenient and practicable for you to arrange to be present at the Denver conference.


It is also my intention to have the Superintendent of the Melting and Refining Department of the Philadelphia Mint and the same officer from the New York Assay Office take part in the conference.

I would like to have your Superintendent of Melting and Refining join the members of the conference at Denver. The date of the meeting at Denver will necessarily have to be determined upon when we meet in San Francisco.

Trusting the above arrangements will be entirely agreeable to you, I am

Very truly yours,

Hon. T. W. H. Shanahan,  
Superintendent, U.S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

  
Director of the Mint.



## TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington,



Aug 27 1917

NIGHT MESSAGE?

Superintendent U.S.Mint, Philadelphiam, Pa  
 " " San Francisco, Cal.  
 " " Denver, Colo.

" U.S.Assay Office, New York, N.Y.  
 Assayer In Charge, U.S.Mint, New Orleans, La.  
 " Carson, Nevada.  
 " U.S.Assay Office, Helena, Mt.  
 " " Boise, Ida.  
 " " Deadwood, S.D.  
 " " Salt Lake, Utah.  
 " " Seattle, Wash.

Commencing August twenty-eighth pay for silver  
 partings eighty-eight cents fine ounce.

Baker,

Director.

BUSINESS,  
 MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENT OF STOCK FORM 2128.



Aug. 27, 1917.

Subject - Annual Report.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Please forward as soon as practicable a statement of the value of gold bars exchanged for coin and for bullion, monthly, during the fiscal year 1917; see page 18 of the 1916 report of the Director of the Mint.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.

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# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

*Night Message*

Washington,  
Aug 29 1917



U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.  
San Francisco, Cal.  
Denver, Colo.  
Carson Nev.

U.S. Assay Office,

New Orleans, La.  
New York, N.Y.  
Seattle, Wash  
Helena, Mt.  
Boise, Ida.  
Salt Lake, Ut.  
Deadwood. S.D.

Commencing August thirtieth pay for silver partings eighty-nine cents fine ounce.

BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Conting. ex. Director Of Mint.

*Director.*  
Director.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington, Aug 30, 1917



Night Message

U.S. Mint

Philadelphia, Pa.  
San Francisco, Cal.  
Denver, Colo.  
New Orleans, La.  
Carson, Nev.  
New York, N.Y.  
Seattle, Wash.  
Salt Lake, Ut.  
Boise, Ida.  
Helena, Mt.  
Deadwood, S.D.

U.S. Assay Office

*Aug 30/17*  
Commencing ~~September 1st~~ pay for silver partings ninety cents fine ounce.

*H. B. Atkins*  
Director.

Contingent expenses Director of Mint.

BUSINESS,  
MENT RATES.

REASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122



September 1, 1917

**SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.**

**Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, California.**

**Sir:**

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,



**Director of the Mint.**

**FFB-M**

**Enclosure.**



, September 1, 1917.

SUBJECT: Stationery supplies.


Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I am returning herewith your requisition for stationery supplies to have them written with ink and signed by you. It is presumed that it was inadvertently forwarded by mistake in that shape.

Draughting paper is not furnished by the Treasury department.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

AMH-✓



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN:

Night Message.

Washington,

September 4, 1917.

U. S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.  
San Francisco, Cal.  
Denver, Colo.  
New Orleans, La.  
Carson, Nev.

U. S.

Assay Office

New York, N. Y.  
Seattle, Wash.  
Salt Lake, Utah.  
Boise, Idaho.  
Helena, Mont.  
Deadwood, S. D.

Commencing September fifth pay for silver partings ninety-three cents fine ounce.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

AL BUSINESS.

VERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Continued Transfers Director of Mint

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122



September 4, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I enclose herewith 6 samples of crude bullion and would thank you to have each sample assayed in duplicate for gold and for base metal, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

I would also thank you to include the proof figures and the composition of the proofs in your report.

The following are the approximate finenesses:

- #1) - Gold 585
- 2) - Silver 316
- 3) - Gold 870
- 4) - Silver 121
- 5) - Gold 361
- 6) - Silver 228

Respectfully,

*A. H. Miller*  
Acting Director of the Mint.

✓  
Enclosure



September 4, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Voucher in favor of Wells, Fargo  
and Company Express covering additional  
charges in the sum of \$8.90 on shipment of  
nickel coin is returned herewith.

The voucher should be certified  
by the payee and if the item is actually  
that mentioned in Bureau letter of January  
11, 1917, the bill should be paid by you in  
the usual manner from the minor coinage pro-  
fits.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,

Director of the Mint,

By

*[Signature]*  
Acting Director.

Enclosure



September 4, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

With reference to your letter of August 18th on the subject of accounts, and item pertaining to hardwood etc., used for manufacture of, and repairs to furniture, and in upkeep of offices, I regret to have to advise that should the Auditor object to the use of your appropriations in the upkeep of the building, we would have no defense, since such expenses are chargeable to appropriations under the jurisdiction of the Supervising Architect.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,

By *[Signature]*  
Acting Director.

*[Initials]*



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN: NIGHT MESSAGE

Washington,

September 5, 1917.

U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.  
San Francisco, Cal.  
Denver, Colo.  
New Orleans, La.  
Carson, Nev.

U. S. Assay Office  
New York, N. Y.  
Seattle, Wash.  
Salt Lake, Utah.  
Boise, Idaho.  
Helena, Mont.  
Deadwood, S. D.

Commencing September sixth pay for silver partings ninety-five cents fine ounce.

Chaffin  
Acting Director.

*THE*

Contingent Expenses Director of the Mint.

ANCIAL BUSINESS,  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

ARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122.

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September 6, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of August 13th with reference to the three horsepower motor for direct current, which you have in stock and could spare for the office at Carson City, I beg to advise you that this motor will not be suitable for the Carson City Office as they have only the alternating current.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,

By

Acting Director.



September 6, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Bill of Wells, Fargo and Company  
for transportation of coinage dies, from  
Philadelphia, July 2nd and July 5th, 1917,  
has been forwarded to the Auditor for set-  
tlement, chargeable to your 1918 contingent  
appropriation in the sum of \$4.32.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,

By

Acting Director.



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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

RE WRITTEN:

NIGHT MESSAGE

Washington,  
September 8, 1917.



Supt., U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Demand for half and quarter dollars urgent. Have requested additional dies shipped you. Coin those denominations ~~as~~ soon as practicable favoring halves. When can you begin deliveries and how much daily. Wire amount silver available for coinage on hand.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

BUSINESS.  
CURRENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR ~~Contingent Expenses~~ Director of the Mint

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122.



September 8, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent,

U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, Cal.

Sir;

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

*Frederick C. ...*  
Acting Director of the Mint.

FPD

1 Enclosure



September 1, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I wired you this day as follows:

"Purchase all fine silver or silver with all copper base offered to you and pay market price on day deposited. Advise daily quantity purchased in lots excess ten thousand ounces."

I am having some difficulty in obtaining silver for coinage purposes and am in hopes the waiving of the regulation restricting such purchases to lots of less than authority 10000 ounces and to pay market price for same will have the effect of attracting sufficient silver suitable for coinage purposes for our needs. Copy of amendment waiving the restriction as to quantity of silver you are authorized to purchase, is enclosed herewith.

Please advise me daily by wire of amount of silver purchased in lots of 10000 ounces or more.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.



**TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.**

WHERE WRITTEN: **NIGHT MESSAGE.**

Washington,

September 8, 1917.



*U.S. Assay Office*  
*to Mr. [unclear]*  
*to Mr. [unclear]*  
New York,  
San Francisco,  
Denver.

All available fine silver or silver suitable for coinage needed for coinage. Give precedence to refining silver bullion for coinage purposes. Require depositors of silver for payment in bars to await convenience of refineries far as expedient.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

*[Handwritten signature]*

SPECIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.  
TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

APPROPRIATION FOR *Continental [unclear]*  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.  
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

September 10, 1917.



Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.  
Denver, Colo.

Referring to Bureau telegram eighth instant, pay local market price for silver and price fixed by Bureau for partings. Advise Bureau price paid, as well as quantity silver purchased in lots excess ten thousand ounces.

M. M. O'Reilly,

Acting Director.

AL BUSINESS.  
VERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Contingent Expenses, Director of the Mint.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

Washington,

September 10, 1917.



Mr. R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,  
Care of U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Wired Superintendent today relative to silver purchases.  
Suggest you advise San Francisco and Denver to use all  
available means to discourage advance of local market  
price unreasonably above the New York Official price  
daily wired throughout United States.

O'Reilly,

Acting Director.

UNLESS  
STATED OTHERWISE  
RATES.  
TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Contingent Expenses Director of the Mint  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

1918

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123.



September 10, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Revised forms 474A and B are being forwarded for use. Not all of the items on form 474A, particularly under the head "Minor", will be pertinent in each instance, but such as are not pertinent need not be used.

Form 474B is intended for use in requesting of the Treasurer of the United States reimbursement of losses on coin transferred for re-coinage.

It is desired that in the future coin received for re-coinage, whether gold, silver or minor, be melted as soon after receipt as convenient, and that only re-coinage values be carried into the metal accounts; while differences over transfer values be carried immediately into the accounts and reports either as receivable loss, or as gain. This question has been taken up with the Treasurer's Office and it is anticipated that they will cooperate in withholding from the Mints coin for re-coinage when there is not sufficient appropriation to meet their estimate of the probable loss thereon. However, the Treasurer's Office has been advised that in cases of emergency when they request delay in melting any particular consignment, we will be pleased to comply with such requests.

If any further information is desired in connection with these matters, the Bureau will be pleased to answer any inquiries submitted.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,

By

Acting Director.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



RE WRITTEN:

Washington,

Night message.

September 11, 1917.

Hon. R. T. Baker

Director of the Mint,  
U.S. Mint, San Francisco, Cal.

New regulation has effect of classifying all bullion deposits except those for return in fine bars as gold bullion. Suggest conference consider ~~quantity~~ weighing all deposits to one hundredth. Silver deposits in past weighed to five hundredths only.

Wire decision to Bureau.

O'Reilly

Acting Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.

AL BUSINESS.

VERNMENT BUREAU

RE TREASURY DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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September 11, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Herewith find form 637, deposits  
of foreign bullion and coin, pertaining to  
that institution for the quarter ending  
March 31, 1917.

Please insert missing figures un-  
der the heading "Coin" and return at an early  
date.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,

By *M. M. O'Reilly*  
Acting Director.

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September 11, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

There has been deposited to your credit and to the credit of the appropriations indicated below, by certificate deposit number 9082, dated August 25, 1917, the sum of \$11,454.00, covering cost of manufacture of Philippine coin.

Appropriations credited:

Wages of Workmen,	
Mint at San Francisco, 1918-	\$7,636.
Contingent Expenses,	
Mint at San Francisco, 1918-	3,818.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,

By *M. M. O'Keefe*  
Acting Director.



September 11, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds  
to meet the expenses of that office has been ap-  
proved in the following sums.

Salaries.....	1918...	\$ 2,500.
Wages of Workmen.....	1918...	15,000.
Contingent Expenses.....	1917...	5,000.
Increase of compensation.	1918...	500.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,

By

Acting Director.



September 12, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent,

U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

*M. M. O'Connell*  
Director of the Mint.

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# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

Night message.

September 12, 1917.

U. Mint, San Francisco, Cal.  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
Denver, Colo.  
New Orleans, La.  
Carson, Nev.

Assay Office, New York, N. Y.  
Seattle, Wash.  
Salt Lake, Utah.  
Boise, Idaho.  
Helena, Mont.  
Deadwood, S. D.

termining September thirteenth pay for silver partings ninety-  
at cents fine ounce.

O'Reilly,

Acting Director.

BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. Mint Dec. 1918  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



Washington,

September 15, 1917.

Hon. E. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,  
Care U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Including silver purchases made this week have in sight enough silver to run Philadelphia three weeks. Will continue to make purchases for delivery to that institution. Philadelphia weighing machines on twenty-four hours. Denver weighing machines on sixteen hours. Overtime in other Departments to meet requirements of weighing machines. Philadelphia meeting orders for all denominations except halves. Will overtake present orders in two days.

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Acting Director.

*JHE*

Conf. Dir. - Director of the Mint-1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212a



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



LETTER HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

September 13, 1917.

U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Cal.

U. S. Mint, Denver, Colo.

Wire daily night rates - deliveries  
*silver and gold*  
payments and balances of coin.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

*[Handwritten signature]*

BUSINESS.  
MINIMUM RATES.  
TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. of Director of Mint 1918  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

Sept 14 1917



Superintendent U.S. Mint,

San Francisco, Cal.

Can probably procure four or five hundred thousand ounces fine silver delivered there at one naught seven and three quarters. Will you need it. Demand will continue for your capacity output silver coins. Answer immediately.

Chaffin,  
Acting Director.

Director of the Mint. Contingent expense.

AL BUSINESS.

ERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WHERE WRITTEN:

Night Message.

Washington,

September 14, 1917.

U. S. Mint, San Francisco, Cal.  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
Denver, Colo.  
New Orleans, La.  
Carson, Nev.

U. S.  
Assay Office, New York, N. Y.  
Seattle, Wash.  
Salt Lake, Utah.  
Boise, Idaho.  
Helena, Mont.  
Deadwood, S. D.

Commencing September fifteenth pay for silver partings one dollar and one cent fine ounce.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WHERE WRITTEN:

Hon. R. T. Eiler,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Washington, Sept. 15, 1917.

Denver will exhaust present stock of silver ten days on eight hours overtime. Purchased one hundred thousand ounces at one naught six five eighths and engaged three hundred thousand more early future deliveries to Denver at market rate day available. Stop. New regulation not causing Denver's supply to be increased. Coin on hand halves nine thousand quarters one hundred twenty-two thousand dimes one thousand. Stop. Philadelphia will exhaust present stock silver in about twelve days. Engaged for delivery September and first October four hundred fifty thousand at prices ranging one naught five to one naught seven. Stop. Including amount on hand and future deliveries have purchased approximately million ounces. Philadelphia consuming average seventy-five thousand ounces day. Stop. Coin on hand Philadelphia dimes one hundred thousand nickels one hundred twenty-one thousand. Overdrawn on halves quarters cents. Coined yesterday halves seventy thousand quarters thirty thousand nickels fifty-five hundred cents five thousand. Denver coining halves and quarters. Treasurer will increase drafts on San Francisco and Denver enabling Philadelphia to overtake order in few days. Stop. Will purchase barely sufficient silver day to day to keep mints operating. Offer silver about which wired San Francisco

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 1122.

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# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

Yesterday has been withdrawn by dealer. Think it important to purchase this silver Denver if we can get it Monday. All offers of silver subject to immediate acceptance. Supply scarce. New York today bid one naught six offered one naught seven one half. *New York shipping all fine silver to Philadelphia*

Chaffin

Acting Director.

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Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1916.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 1122.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

September 15, 1917.

NIGHT MESSAGE

U. S. Mint

Philadelphia, Pa.  
San Francisco, Cal.  
Denver, Colorado.  
Carson, Nevada.  
New Orleans, La.

Mexico Office

New York, N. Y.  
Seattle, Wash.  
Boise, Idaho.  
Helena, Mont.  
Salt Lake, Utah.  
Deadwood, S. D.

Under regulation August Ex third providing that all bullion containing one part gold must be treated as gold bullion same must be weighed to one hundredth of an ounce.

Chaffin  
Acting Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1916.

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.  
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



September 17, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith one of  
the three special assay coins which should  
have been returned to you with 1971, under  
date of August twenty-ninth, to which you  
call attention in your letter of the 11th  
inst.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,

By

Acting Director.

Enclosure



September 17, 1917.

SUBJECT: Assays of fine gold.

Superintendent,

U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I enclose eight samples of fine gold, and would thank you to have duplicate assays made on each sample, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying.

Respectfully,

Acting Director of the Mint.

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September 17, 1917.

Respectfully referred to the

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.,

for his information.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,

By

Acting Director.



September 17, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Please close out, so far as practicable, the remaining unpaid liabilities against your 1917 appropriations, and cover into the Treasury by the end of the current month the unexpanded balances.

Also forward statement of incumbrances remaining unpaid at the time the balances are covered in.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,

By

Acting Director.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,  
September 18, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Heavy demand upon you for subsidiary coins will continue. Please arrange immediately to run sixteen hours. Authorized to employ necessary temporary force and wire names to Bureau.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to be "J. H. Chaffin", written over the typed name.

U. S. BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Gen. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington,

September 18, 1917.



Hon. R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,  
c/o U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Silver today bid one naught six offered one eleven.  
Have wired San Francisco to go on overtime. Denver  
running sixteen hours. Philadelphia twenty-four  
hours. Am purchasing silver small quantities, as  
offered at current rates. Balances in all three  
mints appreciably decreased.

*JAB*  
Chaffin

Acting Director.

Cont. Exp. Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2124



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Night Message.

Washington,

September 18, 1917.

Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.  
San Francisco, Cal.  
Denver, Colo.  
Carson City, Nev.  
New Orleans, La.

Office, New York, N. Y.  
Deadwood, S. D.  
Boise, Idaho.  
Helena, Mont.  
Seattle, Wash.  
Salt Lake, Utah.

ing September nineteenth pay for silver partings one dollar  
ree cents fine ounce.

~~REDACTED~~ Chaffin

Acting Director.

ENTRUSTED TO THE CARE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

Night Message;

September 19, 1917.

S. Mint,

San Francisco, Cal.  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
Denver, Colo.  
Carson, Nev.  
New Orleans, La.

Assay Office,

New York, N. Y.  
Deadwood, S. D.  
Boise, Idaho.  
Helena, Mont.  
Seattle, Wash.  
Salt Lake, Utah.

Remitting September twentieth pay for silver partings one dollar five cents per ounce.

O'Reilly,  
Acting Director.

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

Cont. Exp.-Office Director of the Mint-1918  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

September 21, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

How many days running twenty-four hours on halves and quarters will your available silver stock last. When may we expect quarters. See telegram September fifth.

Chaffin

*Chaffin*  
Acting Director.

MAIL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

OF TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.

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# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN:

Night Message

Washington,

September 21, 1917.

S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.  
San Francisco, Cal.  
Denver, Colo.  
Carson, Nev.  
New Orleans, La.

S.  
Assay Office, New York, N. Y.  
Deadwood, S. D.  
Boise, Idaho.  
Helena, Mont.  
Seattle, Wash.  
Salt Lake, Utah.

Commencing September twenty-second pay for silver partings one  
dollar eight cents fine ounce

Chaffin

Acting Director.

*Handwritten initials*

Cent. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

September 22, 1917.

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,  
C/o U. S. Mint,

San Francisco, Cal.

Philadelphia overdrawn halves one hundred forty six thousand quarters  
hundred five thousand dimes sixty five thousand. Denver balance  
es one hundred thousand quarters one hundred five thousand. No

silver procurable New York official rate. Bid and offered prices  
in all sales. Yesterday bid one fourteen offered one sixteen half.  
based two hundred fifty thousand ounces divided between Philadelphia  
er, at one fifteen and one fifteen three quarters. Limited supply  
silver available. If silver obtainable San Francisco lower than  
York suggest you purchase there for Denver as well as San Francisco.  
operate at present rate from twenty-fourth instant Denver will require  
valent fifty thousand ounces daily. To date have been able to secure  
three hundred fifty thousand ounces Denver. American Smelting  
e to divert to us from other contracts two hundred thousand ounces

ICIAL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

GE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

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The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2124.

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weekly. Three mints consuming one hundred fifty thousand  
ounces daily. If enough silver can be procured suggest  
San Francisco run twenty-four hour. Demand for coin con-  
tinues extraordinary. Splendid output each day from each  
mint. Everything all right in office.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

ICIAL BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2124.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

September 24, 1897.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Heavy demand for quarters in addition to halves and dimes.  
Can you not arrange coinage still three denominations dis-  
continuing on minor for present. If so, amount of each  
denomination daily. Answer immediately.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

*Handwritten signature: JHC*

AL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. Director of the Mint 1897

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



BE WRITTEN:

Washington,

September 25, 1917.

Hon. R. T. Baker,  
Director ~~of the Mint~~,  
C/o U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

San Francisco states that on halves twenty-four hours basis, silver supply will last only fourteen days. Can stock be purchased there. If not, we will buy here. Treasurer will continue to need from there large amounts all silver denominations. He advises Bureau he is depending on San Francisco to supply Chicago, New Orleans, St. Louis, subtreasuries to meet this demand. San Francisco should go on twenty-four hour basis immediately. Will you please direct this to be done.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

*JLB*

BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Night Message

Washington,

September 25, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

You are authorized to employ temporary helpers named  
in wire twenty-fourth.

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Acting Director.

*JAC*

BUSINESS,  
RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



RETTIRW HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Offered two ~~hundred~~ thousand ounces silver delivered San Francisco/ within two weeks  
at one fifteen one quarter. Advise Bureau immediately if you need it. Stop.  
Offer holds good today only.

*Chaffin*  
Acting Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.

RESERVE BUSINESS.  
RETAR THE GOVERNMENT RATES.  
TRADE YOURS OF TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

APPROPRIATION FOR  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



September 26, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge your note of the twenty-first instant, enclosing an inquiry addressed to you by your Assayer.

Samples of certificate bars are to be sent to the Bureau as usual. The discontinuance of the practice has not been contemplated.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,

By

Acting Director.



September 26, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

We have this day accepted offer of  
Zimmerman and Forshay to deposit with you,  
within two weeks, two hundred thousand (200,000)  
ounces silver at \$1.15 $\frac{1}{2}$ , F. O. B. Mint San Fran-  
cisco.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,

By

*J. H. Sullivan*  
Acting Director.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Night Message

Washington,



September 26, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Authorized to employ temporary help named in wire  
September twenty-fifth.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2129.



September 26, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Zimmerman and Forshay have this day been requested to deposit with you three hundred thousand (300,000) ounces silver at \$1.13, F. O. B. San Francisco Mint.

They promise shipment on this lot of silver promptly, -- one half of the quantity at a time.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,

By

*[Signature]*  
Acting Director.



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# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Night Message.

Washington,

September 26, 1917.



U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.  
San Francisco, Cal.  
Denver, Colo.  
New Orleans, La.  
Carson City, Nev.

U. S. Pay Office, New York, N. Y.  
Deadwood, S. D.  
Boise, Idaho.  
Helena, Mont.  
Seattle, Wash.  
Salt Lake, Utah.

Commencing September twenty-seventh pay for silver one dollar six  
fine ounce.

*FWG*  
Chaffin  
Acting Director.

GENERAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

U. S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



Washington,

September 27, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointments and promotion recommended in  
wires September twenty-sixth approved.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

U. S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN:

NIGHT MESSAGE.

Washington,

September 27, 1917.

S. Mint,

San Francisco, Cal.  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
Denver, Colo.  
New Orleans, La.  
Carson City, Nev.

Pay Office,

New York, N. Y.  
Deadwood, S. D.  
Boise, Idaho.  
Helena, Mont.  
Seattle, Wash.  
Salt Lake, Utah.

Enclosing September twenty-eighth pay for silver partings one dol-  
one cent fine ounce.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

*JAG*

ALL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



September 27, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Zimmerman and Forshay will deposit  
with you in October, - more definite dates as  
to delivery to be given later, - three hundred  
thousand (300,000) ounces of silver at \$1.08 $\frac{3}{4}$   
F. O. B. your Mint.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint.

By

Acting Director.



September 27, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letters of September twenty-second, enclosing the resignation of Mr. W. L. Stairs and the resignation of Mr. E. E. Shanshan.

The resignations have been forwarded to the Division of Appointments, Office of the Secretary, for the usual action.

In this connection, I beg to call your attention to the regulations which require that all letters relative to the personnel shall be sent to this office in triplicate.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,

By

Acting Director.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

RE WRITTEN:

Night Message.

Washington,



September 27, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Accepted offer of Zimmerman and Forshay on <sup>sub</sup>twenty-fifth  
deposit with you two hundred thousand ounces at one fif-  
teen quarter, twenty-sixth three hundred thousand at  
one eight three quarters, delivered there. Letters as  
to deliveries follow.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

ALL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



Washington,

September 27, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Authorized to accept offer of silver at one naught  
six.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

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BUSINESS.  
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TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

BE WRITTEN:

Washington,

September 28, 1917.



Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointments mentioned in wire twenty-seventh  
approved.

Chaffin

*JHC*

Acting Director.

AL BUSINESS.  
VERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp - Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,  
September 28, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Treasurer again insisting on coinage of quarters along  
with halves and dimes there. Coinage approximately  
same number pieces halves and quarters satisfactory.  
Please arrange on overtime basis to meet his demands.

Answer.

*Chaffin*  
Chaffin  
Acting Director.

BUSINESS,  
MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN: NIGHT MESSAGE.

Washington,

September 28, 1917.

Mint, San Francisco, Cal.  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
New Orleans, La.  
Denver, Colo.  
Carson City, Nev.

Assay Office, New York, N. Y.  
Deadwood, S. D.  
Boise, Idaho.  
Helena, Mont.  
Seattle, Wash.  
Salt Lake, Utah.

Beginning September twenty-ninth pay for silver partings ninety  
cents fine ounce.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

Cent. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2124



, Sept. 28, 1917.

SUBJECT: Records and Forms.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Among the samples of books and forms forwarded from your mint to this Bureau under date of August 16th, I find Form 701 - "Monthly Time Book" -.

Index cards are supplied by the Department bearing upon this subject, which possess many advantages over the abolished Time Books.

I will thank you for an explanation as to how Form 701 is employed at your mint, in order to enable me to select the cards which contain data corresponding to the above mentioned record, which will be submitted for your consideration with the view of their future employment in your mint.

Please make note of the queries indicated on the returned Form.

Respectfully,

R. T. BAKER,

Director of the Mint.

By

Acting Director.

AMH-✓  
(Enclosure).



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

September 28, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Price quoted your telegram for silver one naught five high.  
Purchasing today from Oyster one hundred thousand ounces  
delivered your mint one dollar one half cent. Expect another  
proposal about same price. Will advise you later.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

U.S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington,

September 29, 1917.



Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Appointments temporary helpers your wire twenty-eighth  
approved.

Chaffin

*JAC*

Acting Director.

BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.



September 28, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Confirming telegram of this date, I have instructed the American Smelting and Refining Company to deposit with you, as soon as possible, one hundred thousand (100,000) ounces fine silver at \$1.00½ per ounce, F. O. B. your Mint.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,

By

Acting Director.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



RE WRITTEN:

Night Message

Washington,

September 29, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Please make advance and final payments for silver purchased  
in New York by wire through sub-treasury as heretofore.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

AL BUSINESS.

VERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

RE WRITTEN: Night Message.

Washington,

October 1, 1917.



S. Mint,

San Francisco, Cal.  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
Denver, Colo.  
Carson City, Nev.  
New Orleans, La.

S. Assay  
Office,

New York, N. Y.  
Deadwood, S. D.  
Boise, Idaho.  
Helena, Mont.  
Seattle, Wash.  
Salt Lake, Utah.

Commencing October second pay for silver partings ninety-five cents  
per ounce.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

Cont. Expa. - Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN:

Night Message.

Washington,

October 1, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Made two purchases from Zimmerman and Forshay of three hundred  
thousand ounces each September twenty-fifth and twenty-seventh *Stop*  
Please include daily wire approximate silver available for coinage  
on hand and amount purchased undelivered.

Chaffin

*JMB* Acting Director.

GENERAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

*Cont. Exp. Director of the Mint - 1918*

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WHERE WRITTEN: Night Message.

Washington,

October 2, 1917.

S. Mint, San Francisco, Cal.  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
Denver, Colo.  
Carson City, Nev.  
New Orleans, La.

S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.  
Deadwood, S. D.  
Boise, Idaho.  
Helena, Mont.  
Seattle, Wash.  
Salt Lake, Utah.

Commencing October third pay for silver partings ninety-three cents  
the ounce.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

Cont. Exp. Director of the Mint - 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL BOOK FORM 2128



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

NIGHT MESSAGE

Washington,

October 2, 1917.



Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Zimmermann Forskay will deposit hundred thousand  
ounces silver ninety-five three quarters delivered there.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

PREMIUM BUSINESS.  
STAR TREASURY DEPARTMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR \_\_\_\_\_  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128



October 8, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

When advising this office as to purchase of silver at your Mint, I would thank you if you will state the firm from whom you make the purchase in order that the records of this Bureau may be complete.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,

By

Acting Director.



October 2, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Confirming telegram of this day, I beg to advise you that Zimmerman and Forshay have been requested to deposit with you, one hundred thousand (100,000) ounces of fine silver, or the equivalent weight in coin base all copper, at ninety-five and three-quarters cents per ounce, F. O. B. San Francisco Mint.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint.

By

*[Signature]*  
Acting Director.



**TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.**



HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

October 3, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint.  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointments recommended in your wire  
second approved.

Chaffin

*JHC*

Acting Director.

SPECIAL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125



October 3, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

We have this day requested Handy  
and Harman to deposit with you eighty-six  
thousand (86,000) ounces of fine silver at  
ninety-five and three-quarters cents per  
ounce, F. O. B. your Mint.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Night Message.

Washington,

October 3, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Accept from Handy and Harman eighty-six thousand ounces silver at ninety-five and three-quarters cents delivery your mint. Immediately. Also Zimmerman and Forshay one hundred thousand ounces at ninety-five and three-quarters cents delivery three or four days.

Baker

Director.

BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126



October 3, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Zimmerman and Forshay will deposit with  
you within three or four days, one hundred thousand  
(100,000) ounces silver at ninety-five and three-  
quarters cents per ounce, F. O. B. your Mint.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

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# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



RE WRITTEN:

Night Message

Washington,

October 4, 1917.

S. Mint, San Francisco, Cal.  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
Denver, Colo.  
New Orleans, La.  
Carson City, Nev.

S.  
Assay Office, New York, N. Y.  
Deadwood, S. D.  
Boise, Idaho.  
Helena, Mont.  
Seattle, Wash.  
Salt Lake, Ut.

Financing October fifth pay for silver partings ninety-two cents  
per ounce.

Baker

Director.

BUSINESS.

EXCHANGE RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint, 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

October 5, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Have you special reasons for promoting per diem employees  
at this time. Withholding approval pending further state-  
ment from you. Appointment Graham approved.

*R. B. Smith*  
Director.

AL BUSINESS.

VERNMENT RATES.

THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. Director of the Mint 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212A

5-5827



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Night Message

Washington,

October 4, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Appointment of Otton and Mrs. Elder approved.

Director.

BUSINESS.

PERCENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN: Night Message

Washington,

S. Mint,

San Francisco, Cal.  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
Denver, Colo.  
New Orleans, La.  
Carson City, Nev.

October 5, 1917.

S. Assay  
Office,

New York, N. Y.  
Deadwood, S. D.  
Boise, Idaho.  
Helena, Mont.  
Seattle, Wash.  
Salt Lake, Utah.

Advancing October sixth pay for silver partings ninety-one cents  
the ounce.

Director

AL BUSINESS.

VERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2183.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

October 6, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

When will you deliver quarters. Imperative we have that denomination and increased output dimes from you earliest possible moment. Can you arrange ~~for~~ Coin ~~only~~ minor sufficient to take care coast demands. Answer today.

*R. A. Hays*  
Director

Cont. Exp.-Director of the Mint - 1918

GOVERNMENT RATES.

THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

1-6527



October 6, 1917.

Subject: September coinage report.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Referring to your monthly coinage report, form 246, for September, I notice that the delivery of \$30,000. in 5¢ nickels and \$10,500. in 1¢ bronze pieces, differs from the aggregate coinage reported on the Cashier's statements.

On statement of September twenty-fifth, \$500. in nickels were reported as delivered. Should not this amount have been reported as 1¢ bronze?

The statement referred to is enclosed herewith, which please return.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

JMC



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



RE WRITTEN: Night Message.

Washington,

October 8, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Regret temporary promotion of regular employees cannot be approved for reasons given in your telegram of sixth. It would be unwise to establish such precedent.

Director.

AL BUSINESS,  
VERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR ~~Cont. Exp.~~ Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2124.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



RE WRITTEN:

Night Message

Washington,

October 8, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Hammerman and Forshay will deposit with you during October one hundred and twenty-five thousand ounces silver at ninety-one and one-quarter cents per ounce. (Stop) A. Iselin Company will deposit with you immediately one hundred sixty eight thousand ounces coin silver at ninety-one cents per ounce, subject to melt and refining charge.

*[Signature]*  
Director.

AL BUSINESS.

VERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint. 2 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123.



October 8, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Confirming telegram of this date, I beg to advise you that Zimmerman and Forshay will deposit with you during this month, one hundred and twenty-five thousand ounces of silver at ninety-one and one-quarter cents per ounce, F. O. B. your Mint.

A. Iselin and Company of New York City will deposit with you immediately, one hundred and sixty-eight thousand (168,000) ounces of coin silver at ninety-one cents per ounce, subject to the usual melting and refining charge.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.



October 8, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Confirming telegram of this date, I beg to advise you that Zimmerman and Forshay will deposit with you during this month, one hundred and twenty-five thousand ounces of silver at ninety-one and one-quarter cents per ounce, F. O. B. your Mint.

A. Iselin and Company of New York City will deposit with you immediately, one hundred and sixty-eight thousand (168,000) ounces of coin silver at ninety-one cents per ounce, subject to the usual melting and refining charge.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.



October 8, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Bills as below have been forwarded  
to the Auditor for settlement, chargeable to  
your 1918 contingent appropriation in the  
amounts indicated.

Southern Pacific Company, transpor-  
tation of fire brick from Denver, July  
17, 1917.....\$69.31

Southern Pacific Company, transpor-  
tation of stationery and so forth from  
Washington, July 13, 1917.....\$ 4.17

Wells, Fargo and Company, Express,  
transportation of dies from Philadelphia,  
June 8, 1917, chargeable to your 1917  
contingent appropriation in the sum of  
.....\$ 2.16

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

October 9, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointments in telegram October eighth approved.

*H. A. H.*  
Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

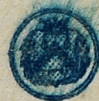
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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

Washington,

October 9, 1917.



Intendant Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

War Department agrees to wait for Philippine  
Mintage. Continue on domestic coinage until further instructed.

Director .

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.

1918.  
MINT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

October 10, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Replying to telegram of ninth have decided ~~in~~ inexpedient  
to recommend promotions of per diem employees who are al-  
ready receiving overtime pay and percentage increases.  
Appointments recommended your telegram ~~and~~ ninth approved.

Director.

BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212B



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Night Message

Washington,

October 10, 1917.

Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.  
San Francisco, Cal.  
Denver, Colo.  
New Orleans, La.  
Carson City, Nev.

Assay Office, New York, N. Y.  
Deadwood, S. D.  
Boise, Idaho.  
Helena, Mont.  
Seattle, Wash.  
Salt Lake, Ut.

On October eleventh pay for silver partings eighty-eight  
fine ounce.

*B. A. H.*  
Director.

Mont. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



October 10, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

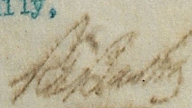
Sir:

I enclose herewith six samples of crude bullion and would thank you to have each sample assayed in duplicate for gold and for base metal, reporting the results to this office and returning the balance of the samples for further assaying. I would also thank you to include the proof figures and the composition of the proofs in your report.

The approximate compositions of the samples are:

# 1 and 2 -	Gold	210	Silver	225
# 3 and 4 -	"	725	"	240
# 5 and 6 -	"	425	"	540

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

Enclosure



October 10, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds  
to meet the expenses of your office 1918, has been  
approved in sums as follow:

Salaries.....	\$ 5,000.
Wages of Workmen.....	30,000.
Contingent Expenses.....	5,000.
Increase in compensation, Treasury Department....	<u>750.</u>
Total.....	\$40,750.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

October 11, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Kindly please discontinue purchases fine or coin silver in open  
market. Rates obtainable here lower. Submit all proposals  
to this office.

*Baskin*  
Director.

ALL BUSINESS.

PERMIT RATES.

IN TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Ex. - Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 112a



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

October 11, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Appointments in telegram of tenth approved.

*Baker*

Director.

AL BUSINESS.

VERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126



October 11, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.


Sir:

I wired you this day to discontinue the purchase of fine coin silver on the open market for the reason that San Francisco rates are higher than those obtainable in New York.

I do, however, desire that you submit any offers that you may have on silver to this Bureau, and if the price is satisfactory and the silver is needed, you will be authorized to purchase the same.

At the present time you have a substantial balance of silver and I do not care to purchase any more than is absolutely necessary at the present rates. The price has been declining for sometime, with prospects of going lower. Your silver account will be carefully watched in this office and purchases will be made from time to time to insure you a good working balance.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

RE WRITTEN:

Washington,

October 12 1917.



Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary employees on roll first of July and employed since entitled  
to percentage increase in wages.

*Beckwith*  
Director.

BUSINESS.

PERCENTAGE RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



October 13, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I am enclosing copy of telegram sent  
you today.

As stated, I appreciate your good work,  
but the demand for coin is the greatest ever ex-  
perienced and has grown far beyond our output.  
It is imperative that we do everything that possi-  
bly can be done to meet the demand.

The Treasurer's total balance of subsid-  
iary coin today, including the Mint balances, is  
about \$1,600,000.00. That amount is made up of  
the balances carried in the various sub-Treasuries  
as well as in the Mints, and as no one of the sub-  
Treasuries has sufficient subsidiary silver coin  
to meet their own demands, he is compelled to look  
to the Mints to furnish it. The same condition  
exists in the case of minor coin.

Please do everything possible to increase  
your output of coin, and if you can suggest anything  
that will increase such output, I will be pleased to  
hear from you.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

Enclosure




October 13, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of  
your letter of the eighth instant, enclosing  
duplicate check No. 14825, in the sum of  
\$6,815.00, and will say that the same has been  
referred to the Treasurer of the United States  
for appropriate action.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN: Night Message.

Washington,

October 13, 1917.

S. Mint, San Francisco, Cal.  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
Denver, Colo.  
New Orleans, La.  
Carson City, Nev.

S. Assay Office, New York, N. Y.  
Deadwood, S. D.  
Seattle, Wash.  
Boise, Idaho.  
Helena, Mont.  
Salt Lake, Utah.

Beginning October fifteenth pay for silver partings eighty-six  
cents per fine ounce.

*Pathe*  
Director

BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR ~~Cont. Exp.~~ Director of the Mint - 1918  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



RE WRITTEN:

Night Message.

Washington,

October 13, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Advise when you will be running twenty-four hour basis,  
and whether you can increase output coin. (Stop) While  
your good work appreciated it is imperative we have  
greatest possible output coin to meet unprecedented de-  
mand.

*Reck*  
Director.

Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212B.



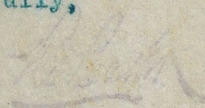
October 15, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I would thank you to forward as soon  
as you conveniently can, if you have not already  
done so, the report on the assay of the 8 samples  
of fine gold sent you on the seventeenth ultimo.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

October 15, 1917.



Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Please decline offer of Anglo Bank. Your stock  
silver sufficient at present.

*Baugh*  
Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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October 15, 1917.

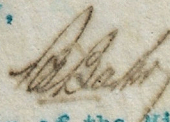
Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Referring to your telegram of October fourth requesting that action be taken on your telegram of September twenty-sixth, relative to the appointment of Elizabeth Elder as your private secretary, I beg to state that the telegram of September twenty-sixth did not reach this office. In response to your telegram of October fourth the appointment of Mrs. Elder was approved.

I have now to request that you forward formal letter in triplicate requesting this appointment. Your letter should be forward to the Secretary of the Treasury with recommendation that the appointment be approved from date of oath, October sixth.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,



October 15, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Quarter delivery one two three point four two below  
lower limit.

*Bath*  
Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123.

1-2627



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



RE WRITTEN:

Washington,

October 16, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Appointments recommended in wire fifteenth  
approved.

*Beatty*  
Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau, 1918.

REVENUE JOURNAL BUSINESS.  
ESTABLISHED BY THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT.  
REVENUE JOURNAL BUSINESS.

REVENUE JOURNAL BUSINESS.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN:

Night Message

Washington,

October 16, 1917.

U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.  
San Francisco, Cal.  
New Orleans, La.  
Denver, Colo.  
Carson City, Nev.

U. S.  
Assay Office,

New York, N. Y.  
Deadwood, S. D.  
Salt Lake, Ut.  
Boise, Idaho.  
Helena, Mont.  
Seattle, Wash.

Commencing October seventeenth pay for silver partings eighty-five cents fine ounce.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

*[Signature]*

AL BUSINESS,  
VERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. Mint Bureau 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2138.



October 15, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.


Sir:

For your information I am enclosing  
herewith blue print of the one-piece base tiles  
used in the oil furnaces at Denver, Colorado.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,

By

  
Acting Director.

Enclosure



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN: Night Message.

Washington,

October 17, 1917.



Mint, San Francisco, Cal.  
Philadelphia, Pa.  
Denver, Colo.  
Carson City, Nev.  
New Orleans, La.

Assay Office, New York, N. Y.  
Deadwood, S. D.  
Boise, Idaho.  
Helena, Mont.  
Seattle, Wash.  
Salt Lake, Ut.

Enclosing October eighteenth pay for silver partings eighty-four  
fine ounce.

Chaffin

Acting Director

Cont. Exp.-Mint Bureau - 1918

BUSINESS.  
MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212B



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington,

October 18, 1917.



Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Appointment your wire seventeenth approved.

*B. H. B.*  
Director.

BUSINESS.  
RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2028.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

Night Message.

October 18, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Twenty-five tons electrolytic copper ingots eleven by  
one half by three ~~three~~ inches ordered from American Smelting Refining  
Company for your Mint. Rate twenty-three one-half cents plus freight.

Baker

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.

FOR BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.  
ESTATE TAX  
TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2124



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN:

Washington,

October 19, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Wire immediately whether any part of silver reported  
due has actually been received but not assayed. From  
whom is balance due.

*Barth*  
Director.

BUSINESS.

PERMIT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. Director of the Mint - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

Washington,

October 19, 1917.



Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointments your wire October nineteenth  
approved.

*L. B. ...*  
Director.

FOR BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128



October 19, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your telegram of the eighteenth instant and note that you have re-weighed and re-sacked the quarters on hand from deliver 123.

I am enclosing herewith a coin from that delivery which the Assayer of the Bureau reported below the limit of tolerance. The coin has also been weighed in the Mint at Philadelphia and I will be glad to have you report upon the same.

Please advise me if you find in the delivery any other coins below the limit.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

Enclosure




October 19, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I beg to advise you that Iselin and  
Company of New York, will deposit with you as  
soon as possible, 200,000 pesos - approximately  
160,000. ounces of fine silver, - at 83-7/8  
cents per ounce, F. O. B. your Mint, subject to  
the usual charges.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN:

NIGHT MESSAGE.

Washington,

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

October 19, 1918.

If charges on purchase five hundred and six thousand fifteen dollars  
by Anglo Bank September 6th have not been covered in please hold tonga.

Baker

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126.

2-5827



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

October 20, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointments your wire October nineteenth  
approved.

*[Signature]*  
Director

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



661  
October 20, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

In order to fill up a gap, I am enclosing a small sample of gold over 999 fine and would thank you to make a single assay for gold and report to this office.

I would also thank you to make this report as soon as you conveniently can.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

Enclosure



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN: Night Message.

Washington,

October 20, 1917.

Mint, Philadelphia, Pa.  
Denver, Colo.  
San Francisco, Cal.  
New Orleans, La.  
Carson City, Nev.

Assay Office, New York, N. Y.  
Deadwood, S. D.  
Boise, Idaho.  
Seattle, Wash.  
Salt Lake, Ut.  
Helena, Mont.

Effective October twenty-third pay for silver partings at New York  
dial rate less the fraction of cent, using quotation of previous  
If you do not receive New York quotation daily advise me.

Director.

Baker

BUSINESS.

INTEREST RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Mint Bureau - 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212a.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



BE WRITTEN: Night Message.

Washington,

October 22, 1917.

Mint,  
Denver, Colo.  
San Francisco, Cal.  
New Orleans, La.  
Carson City, Nev.

Pay Office, Deadwood, S. D.  
Boise, Idaho.  
Seattle, Wash.  
Salt Lake, Ut.  
Helena, Mont.

On terms of Executive Order Wednesday October twenty-fourth  
City Day. All employees whose services can be spared excused  
at twelve o'clock noon to enable them to assemble and pledge to the  
Government financial support.

*Barth*  
Director.

Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2124



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



Washington,

October 22, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointments your wire October twentieth  
approved.

*Bentley*  
Director.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

LISTED GOVERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2120.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



Washington,

October 22, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Authorized to purchase silver sacks on local market to  
meet emergency.

*Baker*  
Director

RECEIVED BUSINESS.  
ESTABLISHED TREASURY RATES.  
TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Gold, 1917 Mint Bureau 1918  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line  
DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



Washington,

October 22, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Wire me exact amount bar charges involved my message  
nineteenth your reply twentieth instant (stop) will  
be refunded you for repayment to purchaser bars. Let-  
ter follows.

Director.

DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. Mint Bureau - 1918  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212B.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



RE WRITTEN:

Washington,  
October 22, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Jesuit and letter eighth, accept from A. Iselin Company  
one hundred sixty-eight thousand ounces coin silver  
teuton per ounce.

*Baker*  
Director.

AL BUSINESS.

VERNMENT RATES.

RE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

*THG*  
Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122.

2-1027



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

October 23, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Tonga discontinue oricle nickels jasper coin frill, big  
for frill, when hen deliver and rupee daily.

*Baskin*  
Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

NIGHT MESSAGE.

October 23, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Appointments recommended in wire twenty-second approved.

*[Signature]*  
Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.

AL BUSINESS.

VERNMENT RATES.

IN TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

October 24, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint  
San Francisco, Cal.

Appointments recommended wire of twenty-third approved.

Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

U. S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN: Night Message.

Washington,

October 24, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Oyster will deposit with you immediately one hundred  
thousand ounces silver at eighty-three three-eighths  
cents per ounce.

*Baker*

Director.

ALL BUSINESS.

PERMIT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be set off on above line

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2100



October 24, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Confirming telegram of this date, I beg to advise you that the American Smelting and Refining Company will deposit with you immediately, one hundred thousand (100,000) ounces of silver at eighty-three and three-eighths ( $83\frac{3}{8}$ ) cents per ounce, F. O. B. your Mint.

Respectfully,

*[Signature]*  
Director of the Mint.

*[Handwritten initials]*



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN: Night Message.

Washington,

October 25, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Balsam fifteenth bad will shipment entire lot crucibles  
ordered five or six weeks be satisfactory. If not,  
sizes most needed.

*B. H. H.*  
Director.

BUSINESS,  
CURRENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. Mint Bureau 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



TYPE WRITTEN:

Washington,

October 26, 1918.

Superintendent Mint, San Francisco, Cal.

" Mint, Denver, Colorado.

Assayer in Charge, Mint, Carson, Nevada.

" " Assay Office, Seattle, Wash.

" " " " Deadwood, S. D.

Please wire me total amount subscriptions and number subscribers to second Liberty Loan your institution.

Baker

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.

BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 3123.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



THE WRITTEN:

Night Message.

Washington,

October 26, 1917.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Appointments recommended wire twenty-fifth approved.

Baker

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.

AL BUSINESS.

VERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2124



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

October 27, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Appointments recommended wire twenty-sixth approved.

*Bailey*  
Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.

FINANCIAL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

1-277



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



Washington,

October 27, 1917.

Intendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Five tons Copper ordered by you October 5th to be delivered to  
from Tacoma Refinery of American Smelting Refining Company through  
Pacific Steamship Company

*Bath*  
Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.

BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

ASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

October 29, 1918.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointments your wise twenty-seventh  
approved.

Baker

Director.

Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918

GOVERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2138.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



Washington,

October 30, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointments your wire twenty-ninth approved.

Baker

Director.

*Handwritten signature in purple ink, possibly 'J. C. Baker'.*

Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.



October 30, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith copy of order  
this day sent to Gautier and Company for cruci-  
bles, as requested in your letter of the fifteenth  
instant.

Gautier and Company state that they can  
make shipment of this entire lot of crucibles with-  
in thirty days.

Only two bids were received on this lot  
of crucibles and they were as follows:

Gautier and Company.....	\$8,380.00
Bartley Crucible Company.....	\$9,633.97

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,

By

*J. H. Hall*  
Acting Director.

Enclosure



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,



October 31, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointments your wire thirtieth approved.

Baker

Director.

AL BUSINESS.

VERNMENT RATES.

IS TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122




November 1, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of October twenty-second relative to damage sustained by Mr. Charles T. Vervais, in the destruction of his clothing by sulphuric acid, I regret to say that there is no appropriation from which this loss can be reimbursed to Mr. Vervais.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



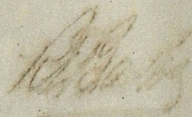
November 1, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I beg to advise you that Zimmerman and  
Pershay will deposit with you, immediate shipment,  
one hundred and twenty-five thousand (125,000)  
ounces of silver at ninety-three and three-eighths  
(93-3/8) cents per ounce, F. O. B. that Mint.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN: Night Message.

Washington,

November 1, 1917.



Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Accept from Zimmerman and Forshay one hundred twenty-  
five thousand ounces silver at ninety-three-and-  
three-eighths cents.

Baker

Director.

AL BUSINESS.  
OVERNMENT RATES.

THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. Mint Bureau 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2189.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

November 3, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointments your wire second approved.

Baker,

Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Conf. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2139.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN: Night Message

Washington,

November 5, 1917.



Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointments your wire third approved.

Baker

Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

NAME TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cent. Exp. Mint Bureau - 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WRITTEN: Night Message

Washington,

November 5, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Accept from A. Iselin and Company approximately two hundred and  
thirty-five thousand ounces silver at decimal eight seven nine  
subject to usual charges.

*Baker*  
Director.

BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2124.



November 5, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Confirming telegram of this day, please accept from A. Iselin and Company, 302,000 pesos approximating 235,000 ounces of silver at .879 per ounce, F. O. B. your Mint and subject to the usual charges.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.

*He*



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



REWRITTEN: Night Message.

Washington,

November 6, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Promotion your wire fifth approved.

Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128

1-27



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

Washington,

November 6, 1917.



Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Is it practicable to confine Sunday coinage to frill  
exclusively. If not, to what extent. Wire your  
views.

Baker

Director.

*JHC*

BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. Mint Bureau 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2139.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

PRE WRITTEN.

Night Message

Washington,

November 6, 1917.



Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Harbor this day satisfactory. Coin fill and silver as stated  
in order.

Baker

Director.

*J. H. C.*

AL BUSINESS.

PERMANENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

November 7, 1917.



Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Wire balance due on Treasurer's orders for halves.  
When can you pay them.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

*JAC*

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212B.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN: Night Message

Washington,

November 7, 1917.



Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointment your wire sixth approved.

Director.

AL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2123.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



Night Message.

Washington,

November 7, 1917.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Invite bids locally on tin and zinc for your mint. Wire synopsis  
to Bureau. Bids open here Friday afternoon. Will place order  
today fifty tons low bridge legget copper.

Chaffin

Acting Director.

AL BUSINESS.

VERNMENT RATES.

RE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



November 7, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Your telegram of the sixth instant, in reply to mine of the same date, in regard to the exclusive coinage of one-cent bronze pieces on Sundays has been received, and I desire to say that the increase of the output of one-cent pieces to \$6,000. per day will help to relieve the situation.

The demand for one-cent bronze pieces is increasing and at the same time the demand for subsidiary silver has not decreased. We cannot, therefore, discontinue the coinage of subsidiary silver and I am glad to know that you will continue the coinage of subsidiary silver along with one-cent bronze pieces to the limit of your capacity.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,

By

*J. H. Chapman*  
Acting Director.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

Washington,

November 8, 1917.

Supt., U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Referring exodus refining Mexican pesos. Wire  
trouble with them and what refining necessary.

*Beck*  
Director.

Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918

DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Night Message.

Washington,

November 8, 1917.



Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Appointment your wire seventh approved.

*Robert L. ...*  
Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington,

November 9, 1917.



Supt., U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Please make special effort to meet local demands for minor coinage. Your statement shows balance on hand close business yesterday three thousand dollars.

Baker

Director.

BUSINESS.

MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122.



November 9, 1917.

Supt., U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointments your wire seventh approved.

Director.

FOR BUSINESS.  
FREIGHT RATES

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

LARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington,

November 9, 1917.



Supt., U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Authorized to accept bids received by you on  
tin and zinc.

*B. H. B.*  
Director.

BUSINESS,

EXCHANGE RATES,

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2124



November 9, 1917.


Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds to meet the expenses of that office during the fiscal year 1918, has been approved in sums as follows:

Salaries.....	\$ 5,000.
Wages of Workmen.....	40,000.
Contingent Expenses.....	10,000.
Increase of Compensation...	<u>2,000.</u>
Total.....	\$57,000.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

November 10, 1917.



NIGHT MESSAGE.

Supt., U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointment your wire ninth approved.

*B. M.*  
Director.

AL BUSINESS.

VERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

November 10, 1917.



Supt., U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Supt., U. S. Min.,  
Denver, Colo

Wire Sunday coin deliveries and balances as usual.

*W. B. E.*  
Director.

SPECIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau 1918.

The appropriation from which cable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212.



November 10, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Your telegrams of the eighth and ninth, referring to the necessity for refining Mexican pesos because they contain at less than one ounce, and up to two and one-half ounces of gold in ten thousand ounces of silver bullion, have been received.

After carefully investigating this matter, I am of the opinion that mixing melted Mexican pesos with fine silver will reduce the gold content that it will hardly be perceptible and certainly not objectionable in coin. A large quantity of Mexican pesos have been melted and reminted at the Mint at Philadelphia. I am advised by the Superintendent that they have experienced no difficulty whatever with them.

I am not fully advised at this time, but will ascertain definitely and advise you as to the exact manner in which they are handled. I believe, however, that most of the foreign silver coin received at that institution is first melted and run into bars. If the metal is suitable for coinage purposes, it is afterwards run into ingots, and if not, it is mixed with sufficient fine silver to make it so. A very small proportion of this foreign coin requires refining, (when it contains base metals objectionable for coinage operations,) but not when it contains gold in small quantities as here stated.

Mexican pesos have been purchased because I have been able in most cases to procure them advantageously, and for the further reason that I deemed them as being available for coinage without refining. It would not only overcrowd our refineries to attempt to refine this metal, but the gold recovered would not offset the refining expense, and we would not be gaining anything, so far as silver immediately available for coinage is concerned.

Trusting you will be able to successfully work this metal without refining, I am,

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.



November 12, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Referring to form 971 "Transmittal  
Special Assay Coins", I beg to advise you that  
there is no objection to entering more than one  
delivery of coins on each slip.

It is noted that your practice has  
been to use a separate slip for each delivery.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.



November 13, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Please refer to my letter of November tenth with relation to recoinage of Mexican pesos. As stated in that letter, the matter was referred to the Superintendent of the Mint at Philadelphia because that Mint has recoined a large number of Mexican pesos and for the further reason that I was not fully advised as to the method employed by him in handling this metal. I am today in receipt of his reply and am enclosing copy herewith.

You will observe that the Assayer of that institution says that nearly all Mexican pesos contain gold, but not in quantities to make them objectionable for recoinage. It will also be observed that Mexican pesos are melted directly into ingots for recoinage and that they find the average fineness holds up so well that they have not lost more than one melt on this account. If gold were found in objectionable quantities, the ingots would be remelted, with the addition of fine silver and copper to so reduce the gold that would be practically nothing.

From the statements made by the Assayer at Philadelphia, it seems to me that with a leeway between .902, the fineness of the Mexican peso, and our standard with legal variations, the chances you would be taking in melting Mexican pesos directly into ingots would be very nominal. The saving in time and double melting expenses would, I am sure, offset any inconvenience you may be put to by an occasional bad melt of ingots.

You will further note that it is not customary to melt centavos directly into ingots because the finenesses may vary more than the finenesses of the peso.

Respectfully,

Enclosure

Director of the Mint.



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November 14, 1917.

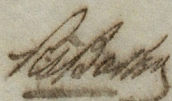
Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

The Bureau understands that it is your practice to make payment for deposits of gold by check on the Treasurer of the United States in all cases where coin is not actually demanded.

This letter is being written for the purpose of urging you to make every effort to avoid paying gold for deposits of bullion.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.



November 14, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

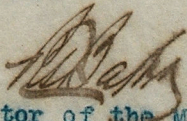
Sir:

There has been deposited to your credit by certificate of deposit number 527, dated October 31, 1917, the sum of \$10,873. on account of cost of manufacture of Philippine coins.

Your appropriation is to be credited as follows:

Wages of Workmen, 1918..\$7,248.67  
Contingent Expenses, " .. 3,624.33

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



November 14, 1917.

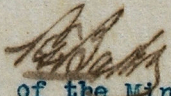
Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I am enclosing herewith copy of  
letter received from Clendenin Brothers,  
which is self-explanatory.

With the return of the letter,  
will you please give the Bureau the neces-  
sary information to make reply to Mr. Clen-  
denin?

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

Enclosure



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WRITTEN:

Washington,

November 15, 1917.



Superintendent Mint, ~~Miner~~ Denver, Colorado.  
" " San Francisco, Cal.  
" Assay Office, New York, N. Y.

Wire Bureau today amount platinum palladium iridium on hand giving  
refined and unrefined separately.

Baker

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.

BUSINESS.  
MENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212a



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,  
November 16, 1917.



NIGHT MESSAGE.

Supt., U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointment your wire fifteenth approved.

*Baker*

Director.

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OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

U. S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



November 16, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I have your letter of the tenth instant relative to Mr. Ankerson's desire to take the examination for the classified service.

Of course, Mr. Ankerson is entirely free to do this at his will.

Respectfully,



Director of the Mint.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

November 20, 1917.

NIGHT MESSAGE.

Supt., U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointments your wire nineteenth approved.

*Chaffin*  
Acting Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126.

2-6837



November 20, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Herewith I am returning for signature of the Superintendent, vouchers in favor of The A. Lietz Company and Keuffel and Esser Company, for draftsmen's tools, these vouchers being payable from your 1917 Contingent Appropriation.

There is also enclosed bill of lading number 12913, covering fire brick shipped from Massillon, Ohio, to your institution, carrying shipping weight of 625 pounds, while the receiving weight is stated as 1425 pounds, there being no explanation of the discrepancy.

The sub-vouchers and other papers supporting the enclosures are retained in this office pending the return to us of the enclosures.

Respectfully,

R. T. Baker,  
Director of the Mint,

By

  
Acting Director.

Enclosures



November 21, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

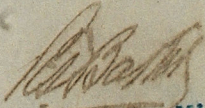
Sir:

Herewith find one copy of the ordinary account current of the San Francisco Mint, for the quarter ended September thirtieth, carrying certain pencil notations. Please forward corrected copy in accordance therewith.

Please advise me if, in the bullion fund depositary account for the September quarter, the amount stated as paid for silver received on Treasury purchases is correct, or whether it should have been stated at \$599.97 (Amount of Charges) less, and the preceding item increased by a like amount; if so, please forward a corrected final sheet of bullion account current.

To support future accounts of metals received, whether by purchase or otherwise, for foreign governments, please forward copies of vouchers when originals are not available.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

November 22, 1917.

NIGHT MESSAGE.

Supt., U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointments your wire twenty-first approved.

*Pauley*  
Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212B



November 21, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Bill of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad Company, for transportation of Messrs. Kearney and Wagon to Denver in September last, has been forwarded to the Auditor for settlement, chargeable to your 1918 Contingent Appropriation in the sum of \$91.10.

Bill of the Denver and Rio Grande Railroad Company, for the return of these gentlemen to San Francisco, has also been forwarded to the Auditor for settlement, chargeable to your current Contingent Appropriation in the sum of \$88.40.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

November 24, 1917.



NIGHT MESSAGE.

Supt., U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointment your wire twenty-third approved.

*Padg.*  
Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. Mint Bureau - 1918

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 222.

2-2227



## TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

November 24, 1917.

Discontinue domestic silver coinage as soon as possible stop  
continue on our mint and Philippine silver stop what amount can you  
have ready for transport sailing fifth December.

Baker

Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

U.S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2108.

2-4837



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

November 26, 1917.

NIGHT LETTER.

Superintendent,  
U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointment your wire twenty-fourth approved.

*Park*  
Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918.

2-4227

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 212a



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

November 27, 1917.

NIGHT MESSAGE.

Supt., U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointment your wire twenty-sixth approved.

*Bailey*  
Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918.

2-6927

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN

Washington,

NIGHT MESSAGE.

December 1, 1917.

Supt. U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointment your wire thirtieth approved.

*Pack*  
Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Mint Bureau - 1918  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above list.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FOR

2-4027



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

December 1, 1917.

Supt., U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Glad to have you fill Treasurer's transfer orders in  
connection with Philippine coinage.

*Peck*  
Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT NOTES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION FOR Supt. U. S. Mint Bureau - 1918.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

HERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

December 4, 1917.



NIGHT LETTER.

Supt., U. S. Mnt,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointment your wire thirty-first approved.

Director.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "H. P. C.", written over the printed name "Director".

Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint - 1918.

AL BUSINESS.  
VERNMENT RATES.

RE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Is appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2128.



December 4, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Bill of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe  
Railway Company for transportation of fire brick  
from Massillon, Ohio, April 10, 1917, has been for-  
warded to the Auditor for settlement, chargeable to  
your 1917 Contingent Appropriation in the sum of  
\$9.98.

This charge has been accrued by the rail-  
road company on 625 pounds. Since the weight actual-  
ly delivered was 1425 pounds, the Auditor's settle-  
ment may be for a larger amount.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.



December 3, 1914.

Superintendent,  
United States Mine,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Replying to your letter of November 25th,  
enclosing communications from the Civil Service  
Commission relative to the extension of temporary  
appointments, I beg to suggest that you advise the  
District Secretary of the Civil Service Commission  
in San Francisco that the temporary employees are  
to be carried on your rolls only during the limited  
period that will be required to undertake the advance  
orders for change. There is no intention of con-  
tinuing the employment of these temporary people be-  
yond a short time after the holidays, and it is not  
advisable to make probationary appointments for the  
same.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mine





THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM

WHERE WRITTEN

Washington

December 6, 1917

RIGHT MESSAGE

Sup. U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointment your wire fifth approved.

Director

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR  
GOVERNMENT RATES  
ORIGINAL BUSINESS  
The appropriation from which this payment is made is hereby  
certified to be available for the purpose of the appropriation.  
Director of the Mint 1917



December 6, 1914

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Under date of November twenty-third, this office made inquiry of the Custom House concerning considerable recent differences in the value of transferred bullion to your institution. It is learned that these differences result from a very fineness of base bullion - Carson's results being obtained on dip samples, while your results were obtained from chip or drill samples. On shipment of October sixth, bar number 12, there was a difference of 15 points in fineness of the silver. When in future unusual differences in assays of transferred bullion occur, please melt the metal and take dip samples before reporting results on base bullion shipped, as drill samples do not always give satisfactory results.

Copy of this letter is being sent to Carson.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

December 8, 1917.

Supt., U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Tonga - Discontinue coinage Philippine coin and coin  
domestic subsidiary silver and minor. Stop. Answer  
immediately telegram sixth regarding crucibles.

*Rever*  
Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint 1918.

2-5827

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2122



December 10, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of funds  
to meet the expenses of that office during the  
fiscal year 1918, has been approved in sums as fol-  
lows:

Salaries.....	\$ 5,000.
Wages of Workmen.....	19,800.
Contingent Expenses.....	5,000.
Increase of Compensation.....	3,000.

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Total.....\$32,800.

Respectfully,

*W. H. B. Smith*  
Director of the Mint.



December 13, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Bills of Wells, Fargo and Company Express,  
have been forwarded to the Auditor for settlement  
chargeable to your 1918 Contingent Appropriation in  
sums indicated below.

For transportation of graphite dippers  
from Helena, August 3, 1917.....\$6.19

For transportation of coinage dies  
from Philadelphia August 8, 13, 15,  
and 24, 1917.....\$11.55

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



December 13, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

In compliance with your telegram of December tenth, J. E. Gautier and Company were instructed to make entire shipment of crucibles ordered for you on October thirtieth by freight.

Under date of December eleventh they advised this office that the shipment was contained in car B. and A. 35,300, and that the Pennsylvania Railroad Company says that Government freight is receiving preference, it will not be necessary to trace the shipment and they expect an early delivery of the car.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.

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December 15, 1917.

Superintendent,  
United States Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

I beg to call your attention to Sections two and three, Article sixteen, General Instructions and Regulations, issued by this office during the month of December nineteen sixteen, with relation to destruction of all obverse working dies and such reverse working dies as are no longer fit for use. I beg to say that it will not be necessary, as was done last calendar year, to return dies so destroyed to the Mint at Philadelphia.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

NIGHT MESSAGE.

December 13, 1917.

Supt., U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Accept from Oyster one hundred thousand ounces silver  
eighty-eight five-eighths.

*W. A. R.*  
Director.

*716*  
OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR Cont. Exp. - Director of the Mint 1918  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 218.

2-2227



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

NIGHT MESSAGE.

December 13, 1917.

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Supt., U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Temporary appointment your wire twelfth approved.

*Recd*  
Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT NOTES.  
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

~~Cont. Exp. Director of the Mint 1918~~  
The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above lines.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2126

1-4397



TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.



WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

Dec 17 1817

Superintendent U.S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Demand urgent for quarters and halves. When will  
you deliver same.

*W. B. E.*  
Director.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.  
CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

Contingent expenses Director of Mint.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2124

1-1881



Dec. 19, 1917.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Bill of the Southern Pacific Co. for transportation of fire brick from Denver in July, 1917, has been forwarded to the Auditor for settlement, chargeable to your current contingent appropriation in the sum of \$44.89.

Respectfully,

Director of the Mint.



# TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

December 20, 1917.

Superintendent Mint, in  
San Francisco, Cal.

Please prepare to coin for January transport as many one-centavos and subsidiary silver Philippine coins as possible by commencing on Philippine coins after Christmas, continuing on Philippine coins only until January transport is supplied. One centavo dies on the way to you.

*Barber*

Director ~~of the Mint~~.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS. Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, APPROPRIATION FOR

8-2127

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FORM 2125.



**TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.**

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

December 22, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Promotions recommended in wire twenty-first  
approved.

Baker  
Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.  
GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK F

2-264



Dec. 26, 1917.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Sir:

Requisition for advance to you of \$5,000 under  
the appropriation Contingent Expenses, Mint at San Fran-  
cisco, 1918, has been approved.

Respectfully,

  
Director of the Mint.



## TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

December 31, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Authorized to pay marine insurance one tenth of  
one per cent on value of copper, also freight and cartage charges,  
if you made purchase f.o.b. Takoma.

*[Signature]*  
Director ~~MINER~~

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1917.

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FOR

## TREASURY DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM.

WHERE WRITTEN:

Washington,

December 31, 1917.

Superintendent Mint,  
San Francisco, Cal.

Appointments wire of twenty-ninth approved.

*[Signature]*  
Director.

Cont. Ex. Mint Bureau 1918.

OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

GOVERNMENT RATES.

CHARGE TREASURY DEPARTMENT. APPROPRIATION FOR

The appropriation from which payable must be stated on above line.

DEPARTMENTAL STOCK FOR